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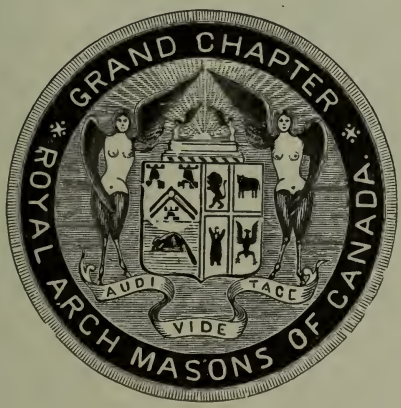

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TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, 24, 25, 26, APRIL
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Ordered to be read in all Chapters and preserved

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH . . .

LEO JOHN GENT, Q.C., B.A.

Most Excellent Grand First Principal Z.

Born on a farm in the County of Elgin in Western Ontario, the eldest son of seven children born to John and Rachel Gent. In that rural setting he had the opportunity of participating in Junior Farmer competitions including ploughing matches and judging competitions.

Married to the former Evelyn I. (Babe) Munro. He has one son, Donald John Gent, B.A., age 27, of a previous marriage, who is Senior Sojourner of Nilestown Chapter No. 247.

EDUCATION:

Educated in rural and high schools of Elgin County. Taught school for 10 years, 8 as a school principal. Obtained B.A. degree with honours, extramurally, while teaching school. Left the teaching profession to study for his chosen profession. Is now senior partner of the law firm of Gent & Park with offices at London and Dorchester. Created a Queen's Counsel in 1972 New Year's honour list.

MILITARY SERVICE:

Served in the ranks and as an officer in World War II in both Canada and overseas. Appointed to the Judge Advocate's Generals Office in 1945. Offered but declined an appointment to the permanent force in the Judge Advocate's Generals Office with the rank of Major.

COMMUNITY AND POLITICAL SERVICE:

Member of Dorchester United Church, Dorchester, Ontario, where he taught the Adult Bible Class for 25 years. Was elected and ordained a Church Elder in 1959.

Member of the Dorchester High School Board for 6 years, 5 years as Chairman.

Member of the North Dorchester Council for 9 years, including 3 years as Deputy Reeve and 2 years as Reeve.

Member of the North Dorchester Planning Board for 5 years, and as Chairman for 3 years.

Member of the Dorchester Village Trustees for 9 years, and its present Chairman. He is, also, Chairman of the Dorchester Public Utilities Commission and the Dorchester Hydro Electric System.

Has been County of Middlesex representative on the Victoria Hospital Board of Trustees for 9 years, and was its Chairman in 1967 and 1968. He was a Director of the Ontario Hospital Association for 2 years, a member of the Cub and Scout Council of Dorchester and District for 13 years. Former President of the Thames Valley Cub and Scout Council, and for 6 years was a member of the Scout Council of Canada.

A Director and a Past President of the Dorchester Fair Board.

He is a Liberal in politicis and was a candidate for Middlesex South in the Provincial Election in 1967.

MASONIC SERVICE:

Life member and Past Master of Merrill Lodge Number 344, Dorchester, Ontario. Life member of Nilestown Lodge Number 345. A member and Past Principal of Nilestown Chapter Number 247. Annointed and consecrated to the Order of the High Priesthood in 1951. Grand Superintendent of London District No. 2 in 1960. Member of the Grand Executive 1965 to 1969. Chairman of Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence Committee of Grand Chapter 1965 to 1969.

Elected and installed Grand J. 1969, Grand H. 1970, and Grand First Principal 1972. Grand representative Grand Chapter of Maryland.

Greeted Enoch Council No. 10 Royal and Select Masters of Ontario September, 1971. Member of Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory No. 4, Knights Templar 1971.

Life member London Lodge of Perfection and London Rose Croix, and Moore Sovereign Consectory 32nd Degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite 1951. Life member of the Shrine, London Mocha Temple.

A life member and Past President of the Past Masters, Masters and Warden's Association of London District No. 2. A life member and Past President of London District Principals' Association No. 2.

LEO JOHN GENT, Q.C., B.A.

Most Excellent Grand Z., 1972

SPECIAL CONVOCATION OF GRAND CHAPTER

DRYDEN, ONTARIO

It was with regret that Grand Chapter learned of the death of R .Ex. Comp. Frank Arthur Smith, Grand Superintendent of Algoma District No. 14, who had been elected to this office by his District one month earlier.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., asked the Secretary to the late Grand Superintendent to call a meeting of the Principals and Past Principals of Algoma District, No. 14, for the purpose of electing a new Grand Superintendent for the balance of the year. This was duly done under the very capable leadership of Ex. Comp. R. G. Amos, Scribe E., of Golden Star Chapter, No. 254. He reported their choice to be Ex. Comp. Clarence L. Collins.

Our Grand Z. then requested that all the Grand Executive and other past Grand Chapter officers be invited to meet in Dryden, Ontario on 23 September, 1972 for the purpose of investing and installing Ex. Comp. C. L. Collins as Grand Superintendent of the Algoma District.

On Saturday, 23 September 1972, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., opened a Special Convocation of Grand Chapter in the Chapter Room at Dryden with the following officers acting:

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent ..... Grand Z.
M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon ..... Acting Grand H.
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Daubney ..... Acting Grand J.
R. Ex. Comp. Chester Miller ..... Past Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Conley ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. Frank Hodgen ..... Acting Grand Scribe N.
V. Ex. Comp. George Fennell ..... Grand Director of Ceremonies
R. Ex. Comp. His Honour Judge John A. Cox ..... Acting Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Charles Beatty ..... Acting Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. William J. Morgan ..... Acting Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Alan Durance ..... Acting Grand Pursuivant
V. Ex. Comp. Arthur Arnold ..... Acting Grand Outer Guard
R. Ex. Comp. R. R. Douglas ..... Acting Grand Steward

Special Grand Convocation was opened in Ample form at 3:30 p.m. Our Grand Z. spoke to the Companions assembled welcoming them and congratulating those officers of Grand Chapter who travelled a good distance to be present on this occasion. Ex. Comp. C. L. Collins was presented for investure and installation. As R. Ex. Comp. Chester Miller, Immediate Past Grand Superintendent of Algoma District, had not been invested and installed during his year, he requested that he be invested and installed and joined Ex. Comp. Collins at the altar.

The ceremony was performed by M. Ex. Comp. Gent assisted by his officers. M. Ex. Comp. Gent and his officers then retired. Grand Chapter was closed at 4:10 p.m.

This Special Convocation was followed by a delightful banquet for the Companions present of the District and their ladies. It was followed by a dance which was the first Ladies' Night held by this Chapter.

FREDERICK C. CONLEY,
Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

An especial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was held in the Masonic Temple of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, on the 2nd of June A.D. 1972, A. Inv. 2502.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent ..... Grand Z.
R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson ..... Grand H.
R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule ..... Grand J.
} Grand Council

PAST GRAND Z.'s

Supported by M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, M. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, M. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, M. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham.

R. Ex. Comp. Wilfred E. Crerar ..... Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott ..... Acting Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. Hallett C. Banks ..... Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick C. Conley ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. Frank L. Brooks ..... Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Albert L. Lee ..... Grand Pr. Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Charles Feasly ..... Acting Grand Sr. Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. R. McKie ..... Acting Grand Jr. Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. George Fennell ..... Grand D. of C.
R. Ex. Comp. Charles Fotheringham ..... Grand Organist
V. Ex. Comp. Earl Steeper ..... Grand Outer Guard
V. Ex. Comp. Norman F. Brown ..... Grand Pursuivant

And the following assisting: R. Ex. Comp. L. B. Gillespie, R. Ex. Comp. M. Van Wamelen, R. Ex. Comp. Weisman, R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ackert, V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Maudsley, R. Ex. Comp. C. E. Compton, V. Ex. Comp. W. J. Morgan, V. Ex. Comp. Sleightholm, R. Ex. Comp. Sorsdahl, Ex. Comp. R. W. Purdy, R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Fresque, R. Ex. Comp. I. L. Fisher, V. Ex. Comp. J. I. Loft, R. Ex. Comp. W. B. Sixsmith, R. Ex. Comp. S. R. Burton.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 3 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of dedicating the Chapter room for Kitchener Chapter No. 117 of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario. The ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter in Ample Form at 4:45 p.m.

R. EX. COMP. FREDERICK C. CONLEY,
Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

The One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was held in the Skyline Hotel, Toronto, Canada, on 24, 25 and 26 April, 1973.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent ..... Grand Z.
R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson ..... Grand H.
R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule ..... Grand J.
} Grand Council

PAST GRAND Z.'s

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw, M. Ex. Comp. John L. House, M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith, M. Ex. Comp.

Charles W. Emmett, M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D., M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, M. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS—Elected 1972

R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Leonard Wm. Potter ..... Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson ..... Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick C. Conley, B.A., B.Paed. ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. Frank L. Brooks ..... Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Albert L. Lee ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. David Miller ..... Grand Registrar

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS—1972-73

St. Clair District No. 1 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Deric Payne
London District No. 2 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Charles Grant Smuck
Wilson District No. 3 ..... R. Ex. Comp. James Henry Johnston
Wellington District No. 4 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Wilfred Evan Crerar
Hamilton District No. 5 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William Bruce Sixsmith
Huron District No. 6 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd Robert Sorsdahl
Niagara District No. 7 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Wilson Stuart Anderson
Toronto East No. 8 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Frederick Henry Daubney
Toronto West No. 8A ..... R. Ex. Comp. Donald Wilson
Georgian District No. 9 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Stanley Rupert Burton
Ontario District No. 10 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Irvine Lloyd Fisher
Prince Edward District No. 11 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Gordon Hubert Fresque
St. Lawrence District No. 12 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Douglas Ralph Hough
Ottawa District No. 13 ..... R. Ex. Comp. George Herbert Patterson
Algoma District No. 14 ..... R. Ex. Comp. C. L. Collins
New Ontario District No. 15 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Earl E. McWilliams
Temiskaming District No. 16 ..... R. Ex. Comp. E. R. MacElwee

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in Ample Form at 10:00 a.m.

The Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent welcomed all present and announced that all Royal Arch Masons, in good standing and properly vouched for, would be made welcome.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were formally and individually introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, V. Ex. Comp. George E. Fennell, and his assistants:

1. CONNECTICUT—M. Ex. Comp. Edmund L. Stoddard, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut.
2. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—M. Ex. Comp. Elmer F. Stein, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia.
3. ILLINOIS—M. Ex. Comp. Nelson Adams, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Illinois.
4. INDIANA—R. Ex. Comp. Russell E. Brock, Grand King of Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana.
5. MASSACHUSETTS—M. Ex. Comp. Lane E. Wheaton, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Massachusetts, and R. Ex. Comp. James E. McSweeney, Grand Captain of the Host

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Massachusetts.

6. MICHIGAN—M. Ex. Comp. Roy H. Davis, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan, and M. Ex. Comp. Charles C. Rademaker, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan.
7. NEW HAMPSHIRE—M. Ex. Comp. John E. Williams, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of New Hampshire.
8. NEW YORK—M. Ex. Comp. Dr. William G. Peacher, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, R. Ex. Comp. Clifford A. McDonald, Past Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario near the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, and M. Ex. Comp. Sylvanus F. Nye, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Lecturer, Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons.
9. NOVA SCOTIA—M. Ex. Comp. Mark B. Davis, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia.
10. OHIO—M. Ex. Comp. Dr. Charles A. Fly, Jr., Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Ohio.
11. PENNSYLVANIA—M. Ex. Comp. Robert M. Grieve, Grand High Priest, Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania, and M. Ex. Comp. Robert M. Evans, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania
12. QUEBEC—M. Ex. Comp. Fred Griffiths, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec, and M. Ex. Comp. Wilfrid Laurier MacDonald, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Virginia.
13. VIRGINIA—M. Ex. Comp. Grady M. De Spain, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Virginia.
14. GERMANY—M. Ex. Comp. Gunther Gall, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Germany.
15. M. Ill. Comp. Lorne B. Evans, rand Master, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario.
16. M. Ill. Comp. Gerald O. Smith, Grand Sovereign, The Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, K.H.S. and St. John the Evangelist.
17. SASKATCHEWAN—M. Ex. Comp. Roger H. Strumm, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan.
18. ALBERTA—R. Ex. Comp. Dr. Philip J. Kendal, Past Grand Master of Masons for Alberta, representing M. Ex. Comp. O. Paul Thomas, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.
19. M. Ex. Comp. John T. Wallace, Grand President, Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario.
20. M. Em. Kt. W. Stanley Wright, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada of the United Orders of Malta and the Temple.
21. RHODE ISLAND—M. Ex. Comp. Albert A. Remington, Ill. Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.
22. MANITOBA—R. Ex. Comp. Howard White, Grand Superintendent, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba, representing M. Ex. Comp. Hugh L. Hornbeck, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba.
23. M. Wor. Bro. J. A. Irvine, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

24. M. Wor. Bro. Harry L. Martyn, representing M. Wor. Bro. Wm. K. Bailey, Grand Master, Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

These, our Distinguished Companions and Visitors, were given Grand Honours led by our Director of Ceremonies, V. Ex. Comp. George E. Fennell.

Each of our Distinguished Guests was warmly greeted by our Grand Z., M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent. Each was then escorted to the platform by our Grand H. and Grand J.

After the reception of M. Wor. Bro. and R. Ex. Comp. Harry L. Martyn, who was representing M. Wro. Bro. and V. Ex. Comp. William K. Bailey, Grand Master, he was conducted to the lecturn by the Grand Z. He brought greetings and good wishes from the Grand Master and wished Grand Chapter every success. He expressed his personal pleasure of being present and carrying out the official duties assigned to him.

The National Anthems of Canada, United States and Germany were then played by the Grand Organist, V. Ex. Comp. D. C. Kerr.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND Z's.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., asked the Grand Scribe E. to read out the names, in order of Seniority, of our Past Grand Z.'s, and requested that they be presented to the East.

The following were present at Grand Chapter:
M. Ex. Comp. John L. House, 1955-56.
M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith, 1959-60.
M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, 1961-62.
M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D., 1963-64.
M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, 1965-66.
M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon, 1969.
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, 1970-71.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent welcomed these former Grand Z.'s of Capitular Masonry in Ontario and expressed the debt we Companions owe to our former leaders. He directed that Grand Honours be given these outstanding leaders of our Craft.

He expressed regret that M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burgen, Q.C., and M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, J.P., were unable to be present owing to health conditions.

It was moved by M. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson,

"That a telegram be sent by the Grand Scribe E. to M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden and M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, J.P., expressing our regret that they were not able to be at this Convocation."

Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

In the meetings of the Grand Chapter one item of the agenda is never omitted — that of the presentation of the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead. Such is the nature of man that it would indeed be a miracle if ever there were no occasion for that report to be made.

As in past years a number of our companions have been exalted to the Grand Chapter Above. Their names have been recorded and will appear in the Report of Proceedings.

Some were but humble companions of the Order with no outstanding claim to special merit. Others had given of their time and talents as officers of their Chapter, and of the Grand Chapter, while a few had achieved great pre-eminence as Grand First Principal. Whatever their rank or accomplishments, their passing gives us an opportunity to thank God for their life and example, and to pray that they may receive their just reward in the Grand Chapter Above. So we commit them to the care and keeping of the Most High.

To those whom they leave behind we extend our deepest sympathy, and pray that they may know the comfort and consolation of His divine love. At the same time we would also extend our sincere sympathy to our Sister jurisdictions in the Dominion of Canada, the British Commonwealth of Nations, the United States of America, and the Federal Republic of Germany for the loss of distinguished companions they too have suffered.

The passing of a relative, a friend, a companion, fills us with sorrow and grief; but our grief is not for them, for "the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them". Our grief is for ourselves, that our lives are made the poorer for their passing. A thankful remembrance of their accomplishments should lighten our grief, and inspire us to follow their good examples so that with them we may be partakers of the heavenly joy, and in our turn leave behind us an example and light to help those who will follow after us. As the poet Longfellow wrote:

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Footprints, that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us ever remember that as they were, so we are; as they are, so we shall be. What they have accomplished, we too can accomplish and in thus following their example we shall be erecting a permanent memorial to their honour and their memory will never die.

Companions, Let us Pray:

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful are in joy and felicity, we praise and magnify Thy Holy Name for all thy servants who have finished their course and kept the faith, and committing our departed companions to thy gracious keeping, we pray that we with them may have our perfect consummation and bliss in thy eternal Glory.

Look with compassion and mercy on those who mourn and grant that they may ever know the fulness of the comfort and consolation of thy love.

Inspire us with thy Holy Spirit that as we continue members of this Order of the Holy Royal Arch our lives may be a living memorial to our departed companions and ever bring honour and glory to Thy Most Holy Name, who livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisable, the only wise God, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,
RT. EX. COM. REV. LEONARD W. POTTER, Grand Chaplain.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Leonard W. Potter and carried—

"Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted."

MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION
MAURICE ARTHUR SEARLE

IN MEMORIAM

Most Excellent Companion Maurice Arthur Searle

Grand Z., 1957-8

"Here walked a friend whose heart was good,
Who walked with men and understood.
His was a voice that spoke to cheer,
And fell like music on the ear;
His was a smile men loved to see,
His was a hand that asked no fee—
For friendliness or kindness done.
And now that he has journeyed on
His is a fame that never ends;
He leaves behind uncounted friends."

Once again this ever rolling stream of time brings us to that moment when we pause with full hearts in memory of those who a short time ago stood by our side, shared with us the activities of Freemasonry, but who today are no longer with us. Again and again during the years the door of death has opened wide to admit those of our Masonic household whose work on earth had finished. The empty chairs speak to us of those "loved long since and lost awhile".

This Grand Chapter of R.A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario sustained a great loss in the sudden death of Most Excellent Companion Maurice Arthur Searle on November 13, 1972. His passing is an awesome reminder to the ever widening gap that is being created in our beloved Fraternity by the passing of such a distinguished and scholarly Companion. Grand Chapter, desirous of recording this great loss, render this tribute.

Born in Croydon, England, Nov. 6, 1898, Most Excellent Companion Maurice Arthur Searle, came to Canada as a boy in 1911. His business career is an example of the service and dedication to his fellow man. After his discharge from the army he joined the accounting department of the Soldiers' Aid Commission. In 1924 he became assistant supervisor in the Pensions Claim Branch. September, 1930, saw another change in the Pensions Department of Canada when he was appointed Pensions Advocate with the Department of Pensions and National Health. 1939 saw another change for him by being appointed District Pensions Advocate. In 1953 the Ontario government honored him by appointing him a Commissioner of the Soldiers' Aid Commission of Ontario.

In 1967 the Government of Canada, recognizing his outstanding service, awarded him the Centennial Medal upon which was inscribed:

ON THE OCCASION OF THE
ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE CONFEDERATION OF CANADA
THE CENTENNNIAL MEDAL
IS CONFERRED ON
MAURICE A. SEARLE, ESQ.
IN RECOGNITION OF HIS VALUABLE
SERVICE TO THE NATION
JULY 1, 1967

Most Excellent Companion Maurice Arthur Searle's distinguished Masonic career is evident by the many honors that were conferred upon him during his fifty years as a Mason.

His dynamic command of the English language and his love for Masonry were most evident during the time he occupied many exalted positions, to list but a few: he was Initiated, Passed and Raised in Alpha Lodge No. 384, G.R.C., A.F. & A.M., in 1922, became Worshipful Master in 1938, elected D.D.G.M., Toronto District D., 1950-51, elected Grand First Principal, 1957-58, Chairman Grand Chapter Bursary Committee, a member of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, K.H.S., and St. John the Evangelist.

To do justice in recording a fitting tribute to our beloved late Most Excellent Sir, we would quote an excerpt from his address on the occasion of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

MY CREED

"To live as gently as I can;
To be no matter where, a man;
To take what comes of good or ill,
And cling to faith and honor still,
To do my best, and let that stand
The record of my brain and hand;
And then, should failure come to me,
Still work and hope for victory.

I have no secret place wherein
I stoop unseen to shame or sin;
To be the same when I'm alone
As when my every deed is known;
To live undaunted, unafraid,
Of any step that I have made;
To be without pretense or sham
Exactly what men think I am."

C.W.E.

DEATHS — 1972

1 Scott, Charles S.; Clarke, Thomas Nelson; Carson, George Edward; Boyle, George Gordon; Patterson, John Knox; Gibson, Keith H.; McKee, Wm. Joseph; Armstrong, Lawrence Noble; Roe, Donald; Hooper, Wm. Alexander; Hartman, James V.
2 Hardy, Henry A.; Shedden, Wm. Waddell; Mawson, Charles Edward.
3 Owen, Harry; Craig, John; Dowdell, Harold Edward.
4 Bain, James; Searle, Maurice A.
5 Dambra, Louis Smith; Jenkins, Fulton W.; Robertson, Murray McKay; Toll, Wm. Frederick; Thomas, Herbert Lancely; Walkem, Edward Kalil; Walsh, Robert Charles; Cheney, Robert James.
6 Rundle, Alfred John; Rundle, William J.; Hinderliter, Harry E.; Long, Harmon Pierce; Sobin, Paul; Pauloski, Michael; Quiney, Stephen, J. H.; Dawson, Frederick C.; Rymal, Harris V.
7 Williamson, Thos. Norman Gordon; Champagne, Kenneth Albert; Sargent, Richard C.; McElrath, Harold Cecil.
8 Munro, Howard; Spracklin, Frederick J.; Searle Maurice A.; Plumpton, Gerald R.; Hutchinson, Stephen Frederick; Hill, Joseph Wm.; Carr, Horace Nelson.
15 Park, Hugh Vaughan; Strain, Robert E.; Armstrong, Bruce Campbell; McNeil, Stanley Edward.
16 Axcell, Reginald James; Taylor, John R.
18 Kerr, Cecil W.; Hodges, Grant Sydney; Griffith, Joseph Lionel; Parker, William H.; Harper, George Wright; Benson, Joshua; Buchan, James.
19 Dainty, Alfred Henry; Stouck, Garnet Jacob; Goffin, Walter Calla; Hawreliak, Andrew; Marritt, Gordon Cline.
20 Cuthbert, Robert M. Kneale; McCleister, Wm. L.; Hollowell, Thomas.
23 Murray, James Alex; Congreve, John David; Rutherford, William John; Bill, Cecil E.; Apigian, Thomas Harry; Wilson, Dana LeRoy.
24 King, Norbert L.; Whitney, Roy Matthew; Murrell, William Henry.
26 Gillan, James Clarence; Burden, William Thomas; Ayler, Orloff George.
27 Browning, Lloyd; Munro, Gordon Ewart; Ruppert, Norman Emmerson, Johnstone, James.
28 Aldwinckle, Jack; Whiting, Ernest; Train, Frank Eluet; Jackson, Everett Wellington; Ross, Daniel; Bennett, Roy Freeman; McLaughlin, R. S.; Jackson, John Archibald.
29 Webber, John; Murphy, Darwin Russell; Howe, Frank H.; Brown, Charles A.
30 Bell, Refinald Joseph; Tichborne, Thomas G. C.; Dockstader, Wilfred E.
31 Searle, Maurice Arthur; Publow, Charles Albert.
32 McLaren, John Albert; Seamark, John; McHoul, James Craig.
34 Green, Frank C.; Niblett, James Allan; Plowman, Hugh Vernon; Jupp, Harry Maton; Hierlehey, Albert; McCullough, Harry Edward.
35 Jones, Frederick Whitmore; Campbell, Archibald Sr.; Gale, Frederick J.
36 Wells, Frederick Russell; Searle, Maurice Arthur; Kelly, Robert Houston; Inman, Harold John; English, Charles James; Elphick, Harry Edward; Harvey, Barton Wallace.
37 Record, John Robert; Haldaway, Harry Herbert; Raby, R. Douglas.
40 MacDonald, J. MacFarland; Mullinex, Reginald Burton; Laughland, James.
41 Clark, Hezekiah Leonard.
44 Paul, William George; Daye, John Russell; Coates, William Ogden; Boyle, Harry Embury.
46 Andrews, William Edmund.

47 Thompson, Clarence Edward Sr.
48 Owens, Joseph Arthur.
53 Smith, Russell A.; Armstrong, Chas.
54 Kelly, Thos.; Giles, George; Auckland, Rolph; Harriman, John William; Layfield, Frank; Clark, Harold Gordon; Roberts, Clarence H.; Norton, Clarence Roy; Jordan, James Edward; Addison, Ernest Comby; Trueman, George Richardson; Paddon, Ed.
55 Titterington, Henry; Reid, Walter Melville; Patterson, Andrew Lorne; Gorham, Merton; Brennan, Edward Hugh; McDonald, Duncan.
56 Faulkner, R. A.; Miller, Victor N.; Fries, Edgar; Garbutt, Reginald Varnor.
57 Flynn, Cecil G.
59 Dunk, Lewis Weller; Edwards, Charles A.; Cowan, Norman.
61 Ingram, James William; Laidlaw, William H.; Illingworth, John B.
62 Searle, Maurice A.; Luckins, Sidney Alfred.
63 Finlayson, David Stewart.
64 Seeley, Mack; Misener, George William; Barron, Thomas Aldon; McMaster, John W.
65 Cannon, William Carl; MacKenzie, William Alexander.
66 Broadfoot, Alister.
67 Bullock, Nelson; McCanish, William N.; Moore, Samuel; Ingram, Richard.
68 McMullen, Geo.; Haggins, M.; Leach, Wilson.
69 Campbell, A.; Clattenburg, C. Charley; Smith, Herbert Ralph.
71 Ransome, Arthur Charles.
72 Emerson, Edward Francis, West, William C.; Rollins, William Harper.
73 Kearney, Maxwell; McEachern, N. Roy; Spence, John B.
75 Fleming, Robert Shortreed.
76 Keck, G. W.
77 Searle, Maurice A.
79 Jones, Alfred H.
80 Lodge, Frederick Laing; Hanna, David McLean; Anderson, Earle Stanley; Campbell, Howard A.; Northey, Charles A.; Blewett, Arthur E.; Swann, Leslie Warren.
81 Awde, Elgin O., Stratton, Bert William, Lamb, John Franklin; Brown, Walter A.
82 Gervis, John Delmar; Morrison, Robert; Goodfellow, William James; Gildea, James F. S.; Tom, Wilbert; Stanzell, Daniel Young; Nacey, Ralph Forest; Duffield, George A.; Searle, Maurice Arthur; Douglas, Robert.
83 Dambeau, Martin; Leighton, Arnold Island.
84 Machan, Howard; McKee, G. G.
88 Higgs, Gordon; Stevens, James Hugh.
90 Blake, Alfred; Finch, Ernest Richard; Brown, Robert David; Raslask, Joseph H.
91 Mains, Elmo Murray; Shearer, James; Taylor, Alfred Henry; Wilson, Robert Franklin.
94 Bailey, W. J.; Morrison, David Ethelbert; Lowery, George Leslie; Kennedy, Bruce.
95 Worman, Cecil; Cote, Andrew; McAdam, Percival Ross; Young, William Grey Black; Chatelain, Romeo August; Gathercole, Harold Alexander; Ross, Fraser Robertson.
102 Gosney, Ronald Frederick; Holmes, Bloss Clarence; Brooks, Albert Sr.; Bonnee, William; Hare, William Walker; Hallam, William; King, Richard Wallis.
103 Neely, Carfield Jacob; McCallum, John Wright; Cross, George Howard; Parker, Gordon Earl; Childerhouse, John Martin.

104 Morden, George Hardy.
110 Grant, John; Smooker, William Hatton; Lawson, Daniel.
112 Durant, Goldwyn Alexander; Duprau, Orrin Willet; Merrill, Dalton Cochrane; Hess, Donald.
113 Sansom, Edward Walter; Wood, Herbert Charles; Bedford, Sanders; McElheran, George C.; Gillie, Farrand Douglas; Raymond, Fred Douglas.
114 Puttinger, Sydney; Mayhew, Henry William; Padget, Russell Alexander.
115 Jenkins, Harold Edmund; Belyea, Winfred Everett; Foulds, William David; Davis, Clarence Willard; Waddington, Charles Cecil.
117 Cousand, Thomas William; Augustine, Albert W.; Stroh, Clayton C.; Hemphill, William M.; Stricker, Clarence Franklin; Keffer, Oscar McCreight.
119 Link, Harry Wesley; Brennan, Edward H.; Hartford, Harry Gordon; Robertson, A. H.
130 Chapman, John J.
131 McKenzie, Lloyd; Davis, Robert Adrian.
132 Wright, William Edward.
133 Rogers, George Edmund; Barrigar, Fred M.; Graham, William Angus; Searle, Maurice A.; Fraser, Robert; Bennett, Wilbert Ernest.
134 Mix, Arthur Oscar.
135 Blacker, Ernest; Searle, Maurice Arthur.
138 Coburn, Newell Platt; Gunn, Donald Jamieson; Goldthorpe, Peter W.; Wilde, Walter Lane; Hooper, Arthur Leeman; Naismith, William; Hartley, David John; Ramesbottom, Frederick L.
140 Jamieson, Robert; Searle, Maurice Arthur.
143 McLean, Wm. Sterling; McDermid, Colin B.; Markson, Moses Dr.; Scott, William Henry; Blair, Ezekiel L.
144 Solomon, Edward J.; Stewart, Fredrick.
145 Cowan, Herbert Francis; Searle, Maurice Arthur; Johnston, William C.; Hills, Stanley, Bernard; Wilson, Cecil Leonard Lester; Doran, Robert; Law, Lewis Howard.
146 Nelson, W. Harold, Chapman, David Leslie; Keeso, John Hansel.
147 Stothers, Stephen Baxter; Caesar, Paul; Strapp, Howard.
149 Michie, James.
150 Coleman, William; Hey, Arthur Lund; Goodburn, William Arthur; Doupe, Maxwell Adam; Searle, Maurice Arthur.
151 Charles, William John.
152 Davies, William Henry; Black, Jacob.
153 Searle, Maurice Arthur; Bruce, Alexander; Glover, Stanley Kenneth.
155 Woodley, James Hayes; Allison, William George.
161 Wells, Frederick Richard; Perry, Hubert Andrew; Stringer, James Allan.
167 Martin, Leonard; Trustham, Robert Richard.
168 Swift, Edgar Cyril; Innes, Hugh Webster; Thain, Joseph A.
169 Budan, Karl; Brocklebank, Clarence H.; Simmons, William H.; Smith, Marshall Peter; Hortuzey, Nicholas.
175 Jackson, Herbert Busby.
184 Fritze, Edward; Sampson, John Hubert.
195 Searle, Maurice A.; Richardson, Frank Whitney.
198 Baker, Horace; Bellamy, Alfred Vincent; Preece, Archibald James; Williams, Roy Gladstone; Farrell, Anthony.
205 Jarrett, Stephen Henry R.
210 Sinclair, John.
212 Searle, Maurice A.; Gaffe, Louis Leo; Cooper, Max.
213 Spencer, Samuel; Lee, Gilbert; Branscombe, Blake Maxwell.
215 Gay, Ernest Mark; Winslow, Richard; Searle Maurice A.

217 Sheppard, John James; Scott, Harold; Strange, Frank G. E.; Major, James; Searle, Maurice A.
219 Searle, Maurice A.
220 Richardson, John B.; Dicken, Joseph Herbert; Bodanis, George P.
221 Eberth, Morris.
222 Ferguson, John Gillespie; Fisher, John Raven; Glennie, Charles Lionel; Davis, Russell Emerson; Morton, Donald; Peterkin, Lorne R.; Sinclair, John; Mullen, Lewis; Dobson, John Arthur; Flint, Theodore Pember; Tresidder, Ernest Gordon; Neill, Charles Albert.
223 Carlisle, Kenneth William; Childs, Frederick Arthur; Smith, Ronald W. H.
224 Sharpe, Edward; Forbes, Donald; Runciman, William.
225 Searle, aMurice A.; Furlong, George Wilfred; Higgins, John Arthur.
226 Scott, Walter Thomas; Cousans, Thomas William.
227 Thompson, Newton; White, Robert Granger; Darvell, John E.; Lloyd, Orliff Arthur; Geen, Percy Wiles; Kerr, Percy Elliott; Clarke, Albert; Buck, Arthur Wellington; Cousins, John Michael; McKay, Henry Corby.
230 Horruzey, Nicholas John; Davidson, James C.; Glenister, William.
231 Stiver, Lewis Arthur; Searle, Maurice A.
232 Lailey, Frederick; Ritchie, George.
233 Mitchell, Douglas Murray; Andrews, Charles R.
234 Russell, John Norman; Wilson, Frank Wilfred; Feller, Arinim, Hubert.
235 Burns, Ralph; Forester, John Percival; Newton, Thomas; Welk, Albert Charles; Searle, Maurice Arthur.
236 Martin, William Percival.
238 McKenzie, John; Mank, Fred Sr.; Searle, Maurice A.; Short, Leslie E.
241 Bailey, William; Searle, Maurice A.
242 Philips, Robert.
243 Copping, Stanley.
245 Illingworth, Frederick; Schedeweitz, William C.
246 Harrow, Roy; Roos, Harrison Charles; Spour, Thomas O.; Searle Maurice Arthur.
247 Fuller, George Edward; Johnson, James Alfred.
248 Mayhew, Henry W.
249 Brown, E. H.; Allin, Clare Edgar.
250 McLardy, Ray Jepson; Turner, John James; Wellington, Howard Russell; Newman, Clinton Earl.
251 Loach, Gordon A.
252 Gorham, James A.; Ferguson, Orvile Carlyle; Pell, Joseph; Hunter, Alexander.
254 Smith, Frank A.; Hanson, Carl; Morgan, Ebenezer M.
255 Dunkie, John Peter; Kelly, Clarence Edward.
257 Legge, Warren Clemmoth; King, Leslie George; Boucher, James Finlay; Morrison, Angus John.
258 Vanzant, Charles A.
259 Searle, Maurice Arthur
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261 Perry, Sidney J.
263 Calman, Benjamin; King, James Daniel; Bernath, Stephen.

Of these Companions who answered the call to Higher Service, the following held Grand Chapter Rank:

Chapter
No.
6 V. Ex. Comp. S. Joseph Hall Quiney
7 R. Ex. Comp. Harold Cecil McElrath

27 V. Ex. Comp. Gordon E. Munro
29 V. Ex. Comp. Alfred Henry Jones
34 R. Ex. Comp. Harry Edward McCullough
44 V. Ex. Comp. Wm. O. Coates
61 V. Ex. Comp. Wm. James Ingram
102 R. Ex. Comp. Richard Wallace King
114 V. Ex. Comp. Henry Wm. Mayhew
119 R. Ex. Comp. Edward H. Brennan
138 V. Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gunn
140 R. Ex. Comp. Robert Jamieson
143 R. Ex. Comp. Colin B. McDermid
144 V. Ex. Comp. Edward J. Solomon
145 R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Chester Johnston
153 V. Ex. Comp. Alexander Bruce
222 R. Ex. Comp. John Sinclair
225 M. Ex. Comp. Maurice Searle
235 V. Ex. Comp. Albert Charles Welk

TORONTO DISTRICTS 8 AND 8A ADDRESS OF WELCOME

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, distinguished guests from Sister Jurisdictions in Canada and the United States of America, and representatives of other Masonic Organizations.

The Companions of Districts 8 and 8A are conscious of the honour bestowed upon us by your presence in this great Jurisdiction; it is a great privilege and pleasure to be Host on this, the One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. We hope that your confidence in us will be well founded, and that your stay in this beautiful city of ours will be profitable and give much pleasure.

Most Excellent Sir, during the past year we have followed your great effort on behalf of Royal Arch Masonry, and I am sure that I speak not only for Districts 8 and 8A but for all of the Grand Jurisdiction, that you may be blessed with good health to enable you to carry on as a shining light for all of us in Capitular Masonry to look up to with great pride in our association with you.

In conclusion, my Companions, may the Great Jehovah direct us in all our undertakings during this Convocation.

Presented this 25th day of April, 1973.

FREDERICK H. DAUBNEY,
Grand Superintendent, District 8.
DONALD M. WILSON,
Grand Superintendent, District 8A.

COMMITTEE OF CREDENTIALS

R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, reported that there are 156 warranted Chapters on the roll of Grand Chapter of which 140 Chapters were represented by the following:

1 C. M. Peters, Z.; and W. H. Gummer, H. C. Babcock, R. H. Seymour, P.Z.'s.

2 Wm. Guy, Z.; N. Fair, H.; and W. B. Sixsmith, W. J. Curtis, J. Neil, E. M. Marshall, R. J. Cocks, P.Z.'s.
3 J. P. Smuck, Z.; and C. G. Smuck, E. H. Malton, A. G. Smuck, W. Macraw, P.Z.'s.
4 J. C. Lyttle, H.; and R. C. Edwards, K. L. Bellamy, P.Z.'s.
5 J. H. Jackson, Z.; and S. Pedersen, Malcolm McRae, P.Z.'s.
6 H. D. House, Z.; Paul Hurst, H.; Chris Nates, J.; and F. Scott, Clarence Katz, Leslie Levitt, Alex. Wilson, P.Z.'s.
7 Frank Rodgers, Z.; John McMechan, H.; Basil Campney, J.; and Chas. Beatty, E. E. Vaughan, E. W. Harrison, M. H. Hancock, W. A. Vempsey, Harold Bankier, P.Z.'s.
8 Wm. Dobinson, Z.; Harvey Wilson, H.; Donald Slean, J.; and Warren Newton, D. A. Wilson, W. L. Brown, Chas. Smyth, A. M. Otis, E. J. Barbour, P.Z.'s.
15 L. C. Ewener, and H. C. Keam, P.Z.'s.
16 Henry Laewen, Z.; George Laing, H.; and Clifford Meunier, Harold Burmaster, P.Z.'s.
18 G. K. Mansell, and J. J. Webber, A. E. Dickinson, G. L. Nutt, P.Z.'s.
19 H. D. Gray, Z.; C. Downey, H.; and W. S. Anderson, L. J. McMann, P.Z.'s.
22 L. O. Walker, Z.; R. K. Laushway, P.Z.
23 J. H. Johnston and W. J. Thompson, Norman C. Card, P.Z.'s.
24 S. C. Wendland, Z.; A. Whittaker, H.; and Wm. May, Geo. Kiloh, W. J. O'Hara, A. Mannie, P. D. Armstrong, Geo. Smith, W. J. Neely, J. L. Blom, W. H. Collier, Richard E. Young, R. H. Davies, E. C. Huggins, H. J. Kastner, P.Z.'s.
26 A. McDonald and F. Bowman, P.Z.'s.
27 Allan Stewart, Z.; Walter Borthwick, H.; and B. M. Conron, R. A. Barker, W. R. Oldham, A. D. Smith, J. A. Kilsby, E. Douthwaite, G. S. Hudson, Geo. A. Kennedy, F. C. Melton, Duncan McIntyre, M. G. McKechnie, P.Z.'s.
28 F. Manos, Z.; F. L. Smith, H.; and R. E. Temperton, P.Z.
29 John Livingstone, Z.; F. Deanude, P.Z.
30 W. M. Cameron, Z.; Leonard Boyce, J. E. Malins, W. G. Treble, P.Z.'s.
31 Marcus Pope, Z.; Harry Alder, P.Z.
32 R. D. Law and Gordon Johnson, P.Z.'s.
34 G. W. Campbell and J. O. Smith, P.Z.'s.
35 John D. Ford, H.
36 J. W. Morrison, D. Miller, J. E. Girvan, C. A. Bedford, W. E. Bannon, P.Z.'s.
37 W. J. Dickenson, H.; R. J. Hughes, J.; F. B. Scott, P.Z.
40 Jack A. Cherry, Z.; J. C. Boswell, W. H. Quant, P.Z.'s.
41 John Ferguson, P.Z.
44 Norman A. Robertson, Z.; Thomas McAllister, H.; and G. H. Fresque, Reginald Dawson, Clarence Markle, P.Z.'s.
46 William McKay, Z.; C. E. Dunseith, H.; and R. Johnson, R. J. Aitcheson, P.Z.'s.
47 Roy Stubble, Z.; and George E. Fennell, J. M. McDonald, P.Z.'s.
53 Ross T. Laur, Wm. A. Bradshaw, P.Z.'s.
54 John Swindells, Z.; George Jackson, P.Z.
55 David Weaver, Z.; Stan Welstead, J.; and K. Woodhouse, E. Staines, C. A. Larsen, I. B. Collard, J. Wiebe, P.Z.'s.
56 Frank Binns, Z.; Neil Sinclair, H.; and Gordon Matthias, Cecil Baxendale, P.Z.'s.
57 R. Radford, W. Cooper, C. McNeil, E. N. Winn, G. D. Penwarden, P.Z.'s.
59 G. B. Carley, Z.

61 D. Graham Hudson, Z.; Peter Bogaerts, H.; Robert W. Mohr, J.; R. A. Young, Sedrick Mohr, P.Z.'s.
62 J. W. Pearce, Z.; A. E. Mills, H.; Jos. Shield, J. S. Shield, W. J. Grierson, D. B. Filsinger, P.Z.'s.
63 George A. Stewart and J. W. McFadden, E. F. Frey, P.Z.'s.
64 R. L. Pearson, Z.; J. C. L. McKeand, E. Haley, B. D. Penwarden, H. J. Patis, P.Z.'s.
66 Ross Kercher, Z.; Orville Oke and James Doig, P.Z.'s.
67 Frank B. Johnson and L. E. Morphy, P.Z.'s.
68 Fred H. Whaley, J.; G. J. J. Purcell, P.Z.
69 D. B. Lamont, Z.
71 Robert Leniuk, Z.; Marwood Fletcher and Leonard W. Potter, Thomas Weaver, P.Z.'s.
72 David A. Fargey, Z.
73 Charles Douglas Krieges, J.; and Fred Yardley, Alexander Dick, D. Blake Hastings, James Lyle Winter, Harvey Smith, P.Z.'s.
74 Frank Hendry, P.Z.
75 Percy Barr, Z.
76 R. Phillips, P.Z.
77 Clayton J. Shibley, Z.; Samuel F. Hall, J.; and C. W. Emmett, George W. Elms, Percy Helm, Albert L. Lee, Wm. J. Boston, W. F. Damp, Frank Harris, E. K. Hogaboom, James Woodland, P.Z.'s.
78 J. C. Dawson, J.; Earl Steeper, P.Z. and C. A. McGregor, P.Z.
79 Victor T. Usher, Z.; John Hallam, H.; and Leith L. Querie, Arthur John Burton, Martin H. Pouport, James C. Doyle, Jack R. Bert Bell, Arthur I. Cook, Maxwell Clark, P.Z.'s.
80 A. Ross Bourne, and G. E. Turner, P.Z.'s.
81 H. P. Grant and R. Mckie, P.Z.'s.
82 W. Cheetham, P.Z.
83 Hugh M. Brown, Z.; Doug Clark, H.
88 Doug Martin, Z.; and E. H. Logan, J. E. Finley, R. T. Cadwallader, Hugh M. Dunlop, G. E. H. Brandon, G. L. Dunlop, H. L. Martin, Tom Ellis, P.Z.'s.
91 R. M. Blake, Z.; and L. W. L. Dixon, H. W. Powell, J. A. Hewat, P.Z.'s.
94 S. E. Tripp, Z.; and G. McCombe, G. K. Johnson, P.Z.'s.
95 R. Hamilainen, Z.; and P. Fairhall, W. B. Muncaster, P.Z.'s.
102 E. J. Edgar, Z.; and H. W. Walker, E. C. Price, E. E. McWilliams, P.Z.'s.
103 A. W. Cant, Z.; and A. S. Haley, R. C. Schmefer, F. J. Gammon, H. W. Scott, P.Z.'s.
104 J. V. Baker, Z.; W. S. Thomson, F. C. DeVenne, S. R. Amos, P.Z.'s.
110 David Trotter, Z.; Morgan Durnford, P.Z.
112 D. R. Hough, P.Z.
113 W. Vipond, Z.; A. L. Farnsworth, P.Z.
116 J. E. Cassibo, Z.; C. E. Cassibo, H.; and E. M. James, M. P. Morris, C. R. Ruttle, D. R. Jeschor, P.Z.'s.
117 H. W. Rothbermel, Z.; W. Rees, H.; J. Welker, J.; and G. Brady, G. H. Shannon, R. J. Brown, J. Prentice, I. Tucker, J. E. Bird, P.Z.'s.
119 J. Bradley, Z.; C. Cowan, H.; M. Fritsch, J.; and H. Mills, D. A. Robinson, L. F. Hillman, P.Z.'s.
129 Hugh McGugan, Z.; and L. H. Sorsdahl, W. H. Cheoros, F. Lanin, O. Ovens, P.Z.'s.
130 Dalton Moffett and L. B. Evans, L. A. Smith, James R. Kennedy, Harvey Morrow, W. H. Gorrell, P.Z.'s.
131 A. E. Hardman, Z.
133 G. H. Patterson and J. J. Carpenter, F. Fairfield, H. F. Gardiner, P.Z.'s.
134 R. Bivens and I. Fisher, P.Z.'s.

135 R. B. Robinson, H.; W. J. Morgan, C. S. Feasby, P.Z.'s.
138 Ervine R. Wood, Z.; John N. Beaton, H.; Alfred J. H. Horne, J.; and M. VanWamalen, Gordon T. Ferguson, Ernest Moyle, E. H. Hughes, Bernard W. Spencer, Eric Whalley, Robert Young, Percy James, Meredith Hastings, W. J. Boston, P.Z.'s.
140 D. Harcus, P.Z.
145 Sydney Woodward and Richard Carr, John Rainey, L. B. Morrison, W. Pomeroy, L. G. T. Taylor, B. Forward, P.Z.'s.
146 B. Steenson, Z.; and Fraser Hay, E. Johnston, B. Hastings, P.Z.'s.
150 G. J. Scholz, Z.; K. Roden, J.
152 W. G. Sanders, P.Z.
153 Gord Wingerden, H.; Geo. Lauzon, P.Z.
155 R. Brown, P.Z.
161 V. A. McMurray, P.Z.
167 G. Hoffman, Z.; S. R. Burton, Arthur Settle, Karl Morrison, Lloyd Roberts, P.Z.'s.
168 G. Burnett, Z.; B. A. Lauson, H.; T. H. Burgis, J.; and J. Boulton, J. Meier, P.Z.'s.
169 J. Sutton, Z.
175 D. A. Rogers, Z.; J. A. Turner, H.; and John R. Dunbar, W. Baldwin, J. H. Rogers, C. R. Smith, B. D. Burt, G. H. R. Crawshaw, P.Z.'s.
195 John Post, Z.; K. Flynn, J.; Fred Kline, Wm. Sproule, Maurice Clark, A. Archdekin, D. Davidson, W. B. Cannon, T. Armstrong, H. Spratt, J. Gold, L. Archdekin, P.Z.'s.
198 L. W. Johnston, Z.; and Wm. Patterson, F. Conley, P.Z.'s.
205 G. L. Hall and Harold Kirkby, D. Tozder, Dave Hill, Joe Bell, Wilf Cameron, H. Ince, P.Z.'s.
210 H. T. C. Humphries, P.Z.
212 J. Ross, Z.; S. Stanenbaum, H.; E. Bluestein, J.; and Aube Weisman, H. Hands, F. Sheldon, L. Dineburg, N. Austin, I. Ingles, Irv. Sax, Jack Hader, Louis Hermant, M. Sandler, S. Abram, S. Perlman, H. Sayles, L. Ritter, J. W. Woodland, P.Z.'s.
213 E. Minard, Z.; E. R. MacElwee, P.Z.
214 P. Cameron, Z.; S. Mitchell, B. Johnston, P.Z.'s.
215 G. H. Stuart, Z.; T. D. Chisholm, H.; and Brian Rodd, W. Bell, W. J. Cook, D. Reedie, P.Z.'s.
217 E. W. Elcombe and J. Turnbull, J. L. House, Norm Brown, John Abbott, Albert Baldwin, Ellwood Reid, P.Z.'s.
218 Alex Moosley and J. A. Doney, P.Z.'s.
219 G. Hinchcliff, Z.; Forbes, Russell, H.; Stephen Pilcher, J.; and G. Anthony, D. McLachlan, P. Taylor, P.Z.'s.
220 V. Beam, Z.; P. Hertell, H.; Robt. T. Rigby, J.; and P. McGregor, W. Greech, G. H. Horner, P.Z.'s.
221 Norman Robinson, Z.; Archie McCuaig, H.; A. Dawson, J.; and W. E. Crerar, Ken Hooper, P.Z.'s.
222 A. V. Williams, Z.; and G. A. Kent, H. T. C. Humphries, F. F. Hortin, C. C. Dale, R. G. Harris, P.Z.'s.
223 K. A. Halfyard, Z.; and Wallace Layte, H. A. Jones, P.Z.'s.
224 Maurice Moso, Z.; and Donald Falkner, M. G. Spiers, P.Z.'s.
225 B. C. Jackson, Z.; William Henshaw, J.; and John E. Richardson, F. W. D. Welham, Russell J. Spencely, Frederick Daubney, T. Nishino, W. D. Sturch, John Wallace, H. C. May, P.Z.'s.
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227 C. A. Faulkner, Z.; G. McQueen, H.; C. Faulkiner, J.; and Bruce H. Smith, C. McMullen, E. L. Goodman, B. A. Gill, L. A. Courtemanche, P.Z.'s.
230 Ernest Maltby, Z.; and Chrys Lewis, John Parke, Thomas Henry, Allan Jamieson, P.Z.'s.

231 Thomas W. Carter, Z.; R. Kennedy, J.; and J. W. Woodland, A. K. Johnson, David M. Kerr, John E. Yaeger, John Inglis, Ed. Shunk, John C. Crockatt, John Callaghan, Harry L. Martyn, P.Z.'s.
232 D. Coffen, H.; F. B. G. Lindley, J.; E. J. Ridgeway, A. S. Currie, J. L. Mellor, C. B. Coleman, P.Z.'s.
233 D. Wilson and Roy K. Griffin, W. E. Gardner, William Dunlop, P.Z.'s.
234 Earl Johnson, Z.; Robert Barland, H.; Teroy Norton, R. Tracey, Irwin Noble, J. Long, P.Z.'s.
235 Harold Foote and H. Cook, P.Z.'s.
236 L. Leousis, Z.; K Lang, H.; William Brown and Charles Mallison, Albert Waterhouse, Robert Richie, W. Williamson, John Aldridge, P.Z.'s.
238 Freeman McLeod, Z.; and L. E. Fortner, Victor Hopwood, W. L. Davies, Joseph Hessey, P.Z.'s.
239 Lester Fisher and Derick Payne, R. Sypes, L. Guyett, P.Z.'s.
240 L. T. Richardson, Z.
241 J. Brown, and H. S. Biggs, O. R. Roberts, P.Z.'s.
242 C. L. Philip and W. B. Chalcraft, P.Z.'s.
243 U. J. Devney, Z.; and F. W. Checkley, W. Kane, P.Z.'s.
245 R. Wright, Z.; and A. Jefkins, A. J. Harriman, P.Z.'s.
246 J. A. Gravelle, Z.; C. H. Davison, H.; Geo. Johnson, J.; and P. Mayden, D. Danby, J. Woodlawn, G. J. Reed, P.Z.'s.
247 Jas. Bendall, Z.; and Hallett Banks, R. Neely, G. Sleightholm, P.Z.'s.
248 W. Reed, Z.
249 S. Lancaster, Z.; Roy Hall, H.; Keith Billett, J.; and H. Ferguson, H. G. Freeman, H. B. Tink, P.Z.'s.
250 J. R. Hodgins, Z.; and A. Leal, K. W. Purdy, P.Z.'s.
251 J. White, Z.; H. G. Fick, P.Z.
252 J. Thompson, Z.; W. J. Brock, H.; and H. F. Bouck, L. Brooks, G. D. Wright, L. James, P.Z.'s.
254 C. L. Collins and S. O. Norman, P.Z.'s.
255 J. A. Petrie, Z.; D. Hillier, P.Z.
258 L. Willis, Z.; and F. E. Warren, Fred Conley, P.Z.'s.
259 David Harcus, P.Z.
260 A. Peer, Z.; and V. Newman, John Kline, L. Stroud, A. Williams, H. Carr, Bruce Smith, P.Z.'s.
261 A. S. Tonkin, Z.; C. R. Griffith, H.; and G. E. Tait, P.Z.
262 Gordon Stuart, J.; and J. Loft, H. G. Edgar, Fred Scott, R. Cocks, C. D. Reading, P.Z.'s.
263 A. R. Davidson, Z.; M. F. J. Melville, J.; and R. K. Muir, W. S. Wright, H. C. May, P. Johnston, P.Z.'s.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule,

"That the Proceedings of the former Annual Convocation, held on Friday and Saturday, 28, 29 April, 1972, have been printed and copies sent to all Chapters of this Jurisdiction, the recorded minutes be considered read and the same is now confirmed." Carried.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule,

"That the order of business of this Grand Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand Z." Carried.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Sproule and seconded by M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, and carried,

"That the Per Diem Committee headed by R. Ex. Comp. David Miller as temporary Chairman pay the Per Diem to the Members of the Grand Executive Committee entitled to same."

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson, and carried,

"That R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland be Chairman of the Credentials Committee with power to form his own Committee,"

and

"That Ex. Comp. William B. Boston be Chairman of Scrutineers with power to form his own Committee assisted by Members of the Credentials Committee."

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent, the Grand Z., directed the Grand Scribe E. to call the roll of representative Jurisdictions and have them assemble before the Altar. The following Grand Representatives answered to their names:

Alberta—E. K. Hogaboom, 36 Athol Ave., Toronto.
Argentina—Wm. H. Sproule, 4 Elizabeth St. S., Brampton.
Arizona—Edward Marshall, Apt. 11, 137 Emerald St., Hamilton.
California—B. M. Conron, 120 Maple St., Collingwood.
Colorado—Cyril McMullen, R.R. No. 5, Belleville.
Delaware—Wm. J. Grierson, 136 Bedford Park Ave., Toronto.
Dist. of Columbia—B. H. Smith, 169 Dufferin Ave., Belleville.
Illinois—J. W. Woodland, 111 Raglan Ave., Apt. 1501, Toronto.
India—Rev. Charles D. Donald, 155 Navy St., Apt. 1004, Oakville.
Iowa—William S. Thomson, 1329 Cumnock Cres., Oakville.
Kansas—Allan A. Leal, 2297 Parkwood Ave., Windsor.
Maine—Lorne E. Vaughan, 315 Bleecker Ave., Belleville.
Massachusetts—Dr. Fraser Hay, 165 Victoria Ave. N., Listowel, N0G 3A0
Maryland—Leo J. Gent, Box 78, 21 Catherine St. E., Dorchester, N0L 1G0.
Michigan—Fred W. D. Welham, 60 Stewart Smith Dr., Toronto, 6M6 2S9.
Mississippi—H. T. C. Humphries, 53 Clegg St., Ottawa.
Montana—David Harcus, R.R. 1, Perkinsfield.
Netherlands—Maarten A. van Wamelen, 1177 Bloor St. E., Apt. 206, Mississauga, L4Y 2N9.
New Brunswick—Dr. George E. Turner, 2281 Victoria Ave., Windsor.
New Jersey—G. Harold Shannon, 30 Spetz St., Kitchener, N2H 1K1.
New York—Hallette C. Banks, 1749 Parkhurst Ave., London.
North Carolina—W. Leslie Davies, 711 Cleremont Ave., London
North Dakota—William H. Gummer, 242 Westdale Ave., Kingston.
Nova Scotia—Leslie C. Ewener, 961 Toro St., Sarnia.
Pennsylvania—John L. House, 14 Pearson Ave., Toronto.
Quebec—Charles W. Emmett, 27 Colwood Rd., Islington.
Saskatchewan—James E. Girven, 581 Weller St., Peterborough, K9H 2N9.

Scotland—James Turnbull, 377 O'Connor Dr., Toronto.
South Carolina—Robert H. Seymour, 3 Third Ave., Kingston.
South Dakota—Frederick C. Conley, 4 Houghton Blvd., Markham.
Switzerland—L. B. Morrison, 1222 York Mills Rd., Apt. 306, Don Mills.
Texas—Fred Scott, 41 Fairfield Ave. N., Hamilton.
Victoria—Harold Foote, 62 Dunning Ave., Aurora.
Virginia—John J. Carpenter, 15 Cornelia St., Smiths Falls.
Wisconsin—Dr. S. Perlman, 11 Shallmar, Toronto.
Wyoming—Ernest C. Price, 65 Spruce St., Sault Ste. Marie.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., thanked our Grand Representatives for work done. He felt that, through their efforts, they brought closer fraternal relations with our Sister Jurisdictions. Their correspondence with our corresponding representative in the Sister Jurisdiction, as well as visits they might make, would be a benefit to the whole Order. It would bring about a closer world union for which we strive, and a move toward Peace on Earth.

GRAND Z's. ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

My Companions:

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

It is my proud but humble privilege and honour to welcome you to this your 115th Convocation of your Grand Chapter. May the Great Jehovah guide us and foster our united efforts that our Order may ever progress in its brotherhood of service.

Today as never before human life is not such a simple affair that man can live it alone. ALL men need assistance; hence, we as Free Masons are banded together to render mutual aid and support. We speak of the bond which holds us together as Freemasons, as the mystic tie.

Brotherly love is a task, a kingly task — quite the greatest, the most important inside the whole compass of life. Just as a man must be in right relation with the food he eats in order to maintain health, so must he likewise be in right relation with his fellow men if he would live in happiness.

Joseph Fort Newton described when a man is a mason in words that read somewhat as follows: "When he can look out over the rivers, the hills, and the far horizon with a sense of his own littleness in the vast scheme of things, and yet have faith, hope and courage which is the root of every virtue.

When he knows that down in his heart every man is as noble, as vile, as divine, as diabolic, and as lonely as himself, and seeks to know, to forgive and to love his fellowman. When he knows how to sympathize with men in their sorrow, yea, even in their sins, knowing that each man fights a hard fight against many odds. When he has learned how to make friends and to keep them, and above all, to keep friends with himself . . . when he can be happy and high minded amid the meaner drudgeries of life . . . when no voice of distress reaches his ears in vain, and no hand seeks his aid without response . . . when he knows how to pray, how to love, how to hope . . . when he has kept faith with himself, with his fellowman and with his God. In his hand a sword for evil, in his heart a bit of a song . . . glad to live, but not afraid to die. Such a man has found the only real secret of Freemasonry and the one which it is trying to give all the world."

My companions when you and I convince the public we are that kind of masonic person, men will flock to join not only Royal Arch Masonry but also the craft lodge whose healthy growth is so necessary for our survival.

I have been somewhat shocked during my service as your Grand First Principal that the public has so little knowledge of our Masonic Order and refer to the Order as a secret society. Please try to convey to our fellowmen, and to our loved ones that the truths and principles of Freemasonry are not secret, but only its signs, grips, tokens, ballots and ceremonies; not the meaning of the ceremonies, but the detail of the rites.

With the exception of these particulars Freemasonry has no reservation from the public. The fact that we have not been the mason hereto described and that we have kept from the public and yea from our very own families the truths and principles of Freemasonry has no doubt contributed much to the loss of 6,000 members in the last 50 years, during a period when the population of our Grand Jurisdiction increased by many fold.

And my Companions we must also face the fact that had every member been the kind of mason heretofore described, would our country not have been a much better place in which to live?

I suggest we, here, and now, re-dedicate ourselves to be the kind of mason and men we ought to be that not only the brotherhood of masonry will progress, but that the complete brotherhood amongst men of our nation and this world will flourish to make this world not only a better place to live but a world where peace shall exist. Masonry, my Companions, can do just that.

Distinguished guests from our Sister Jurisdictions, please accept our warmest greetings. You bring to our Convocation the enthusiastic warmth of brotherhood and encouragement in our Order that goes to the very purpose of our existence. We are thrilled to share this occasion with you, and we trust that your sojourn with us will be not only a memorable event in your life but that our Convocation and our part of Canada will impress upon your minds a desire to return again and again.

Our craft lodge has for almost two years experienced an unusual and dedicated leadership under the capable and guiding hand of our Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother and Very Excellent Companion William K. Bailey, who is represented here by Most Worshipful Brother and Right Excellent Companion Harry L. Martyn, a past Grand Master of our Grand Lodge.

During the past year it was my privilege to meet with Most Worshipful Brother William K. Bailey to discuss with him matters of mutual concern and interest. Most Worshipful Brother Bailey and I have agreed to continue these meetings for the mutual benefit of both the craft and capitulary masonry. I hope that these meetings and discussions will continue from year to year because by such meetings and discussions we cannot help but make progress.

It was also my great thrill to receive into Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia, Ontario, on the event of the 25th Anniversary of the International Day of said Hiawatha Chapter No. 252 and Port Huron Chapter No. 27 our Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother and Very Excellent Companion William Kirk Bailey. This is the first time that any Grand Master has ever attended this International Day celebration. Nearly 400 Royal Arch Masons and their wives from Canada and the United States attended that event.

Most Worshipful Brother and Right Excellent Companion Harry Martyn, we welcome you. We are happy to have you with us. Would

you please take back to your Grand Master our pledge of loyalty and inform him that his inspired leadership, his mutual understanding and his thorough knowledge of modern man is lifting our whole Order to such a greater service of brotherhood to mankind that the achievements in our ancient and honourable institution will be unlimited.

Most Worshipful Brother and Very Excellent Companion Jack Irvine, our able, distinguished and diplomatic Grand Secretary, welcome to our Convocation. I trust your visit will be pleasant.

We are delighted to welcome representatives from the ancient and accepted Scottish Rite, the Masonic and Military Order of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Knights Templar, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Master of the Cryptic Rite and the Order of High Priesthood. Your very presence shows not only the great regard and affection we hold for each of our Orders but also the great bond of friendship and brotherhood that exists between and amongst our fraternities. May we all ever be mindful of what a mason is and that the Great Jehovah is not only ever mindful of our needs, but is ever watching over us and will weigh in the balance of truth all our thoughts, words and actions.

IN MEMORIAM

Longfellow said "there is no death: what seems so is transition". Carlyle said, "Life is a little gleam of time between two eternities" and Hans Christian Anderson spoke these words, "Every Man's Life is a fairy tale written by God's fingers". Many of our companions have experienced that gleam of time, the fingers of God has written the fairy tale, and the transition to the Great Jehovah has been completed. Amongst these great companions who experienced that transition on November 13th, 1972, was Most Excellent Companion Major Maurice A. Searle who was a great mason and a great man who had dedicated his life to the service of mankind, not only to masons but to those men who served Canada. I stand here today as your Grand First Principal because of Most Excellent Companion Maurice A. Searle.

In sympathy, our hearts are joined in acknowledgement of sacred ties now severed and of memories tenderly cherished.

In faith we state our firm assurance "that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

To those of us who remain, let us remember that "Life is real, and is earnest, and it is full of duties to be performed. It is the beginning of our immortality."

Our Companions have carried their light
To brighten some heavenly hall,
Dropping their cares and bowing their heads,
They have answered the Master's call.

The flames of their lives will continue to shine
Reflecting their kindness and love,
In our memory they live, though they have gone on
To light the Grand Chapter above.

God takes the brightest of earth's little candles
To shine on as stars through the night,
Thus, we know our Companions are helping the Master,
Though they have slipped from our earthly sight.

Our Chaplain will at the proper time lead our Convocation in memorial service.

FRATERNAL DEAD—1972

To our Sister Jurisdictions in the Dominion of Canada, The British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America, we extend sincere sympathy for the loss of their distinguished Companions:

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
Frederick John Hand

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ARIZONA
John C. Walton

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Kilburn King Reid

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF COLORADO
Norman F. Tripp

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF GERMANY
Peter Marius Rasmussen

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF GEORGIA
Newman Newton Johnson, N. Theodore Pirkle, Dr. Jack Guy Standifer, Joseph Alfred Moore, Sr.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF INDIANA
Joseph Earl Brown

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF LOUISIANA
Claude J. Hale, Lloyd Grady Wilder

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA
Walter Dalzell

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MARYLAND
Robert Denneth Coulby, Grover Lee Michael.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MASSACHUSETTS
William Foster Clark

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MINNESOTA
Rhys G. Humphreys, Edwin A. Martini, Howard Charles Dressel, Ezra M. Thomasberg, Knud C. Nielsen

THE GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF NEVADA
Donald Ferguson

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF OHIO
E. Ray Jenkins, James Allison Gorham

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF TENNESSEE
Lyman Lyons Worrell

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF TEXAS
Joe X. Newcomb

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF VIRGINIA
Daniel Paul Sigourney

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WASHINGTON
Cassius Merlin Crowe, Walter Harrison Steffey

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WEST VIRGINIA
Nelson S. Orkney

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WISCONSIN
Clarence Emil Anderson

Of these Companions who answered the call to Higher Service, the following held Grand Chapter Rank:

Chapter No.	
6	V. Ex. Comp. S. Joseph Hall Quiney
7	R. Ex. Comp. Harold Cecil McElrath
27	V. Ex. Comp. Gordon E. Munro
29	V. Ex. Comp. Alfred Henry Jones

34 R. Ex. Comp. Harry Edward McCullough
44 V. Ex. Comp. Wm. O. Coates
61 V. Ex. Comp. Wm. James Ingram
102 R. Ex. Comp. Richard Wallace King
114 V. Ex. Comp. Henry Wm. Mayhew
119 R. Ex. Comp. Edward H. Brennan
138 V. Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gunn
140 R. Ex. Comp. Robert Jamieson
143 R. Ex. Comp. Colin B. McDermid
144 V. Ex. Comp. Edward J. Solomon
145 R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Chester Johnston
153 V. Ex. Comp. Alexander Bruce
222 R. Ex. Comp. John Sinclair
225 M. Ex. Comp. Maurice Searle
235 V. Ex. Comp. Albert Charles Welk

GRAND CONVOCATION

We offer our sincere thanks and the thanks of this Convocation to the Principals' Association of Toronto, Districts 8 and 8A, for their kind invitation to hold our Convocation in this Metropolitan City of Toronto.

The organization of this Convention required the untiring efforts and much time of dedicated companions. This committee, most ably chaired by Right Excellent Companion Maarten Van Wamelen laid a masterly plan which has and will work without a flaw. I express to this committee the thanks of every companion of this Grand Jurisdiction, the Grand Executive, the Advisory Council and the Grand Council.

VISITATIONS

It has been an honour and a privilege as your Grand First Principal to represent the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario at many International and National Convocations. It was a rare experience to bring your greetings to these Grand Jurisdictions. You should know that your Grand Chapter is most respected and admired, not only throughout the length and breadth of Canada but in every Grand Jurisdiction of the United States and Europe. All I met expressed a desire to visit this Grand Jurisdiction. May it continue to ever be so. It has not been possible for me to visit all our districts and chapters. I have visited chapters from Dryden in the Algoma District in the north to Kingston in the east. However, where I found areas needing special assistance, I did appoint committees to assist the Grand Superintendents in the districts but only after I had discussed the problems with the Grand Superintendent in that district, either personally or by correspondence. This has worked especially well in Wilson district No. 3 where Right Excellent Companion Hallett Banks was appointed to chair a committee of assistance to Right Excellent Companion J. Henry Johnston, the Grand Superintendent. The response of the companions of Wilson district has been most rewarding. Three Chapters were assisted. I predict that Wilson district will show a substantial increase in membership and a great increase and improvement in Chapter activities by our next Grand Convocation.

I shall not list my visits to individual Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, except where there was a very special occasion.

ANNIVERSARIES

June 3rd—The 175th Anniversary of Kingston and Cataraqui Chapter where I was made an Honourary Member of this Chapter with full privileges. I shall always be grateful and shall cherish this membership.

Oct. 28th—Attended the Centennial Anniversary of Bruce Chapter No. 53 at Petrolia. Both the Chapter room and banquet hall were filled to capacity.

March 9th, 10th, 11th—Attended International Day at Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia. I was made an Honourary Member of this Chapter with full privileges.

DEDICATIONS

June 2nd—Attended the dedication of Kitchener Chapter No. 117 at Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario. Companions from the length and breadth of this Grand Jurisdiction attended this dedication. All active Grand Chapter Officers but two attended this dedication and over 80 past and present Grand Chapter Officers attended to participate in the opening of Grand Chapter and the dedication of this most beautiful Temple.

VISITS TO GRAND JURISDICTIONS

May 5th and 6th—The Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia with jurisdiction over Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland at the city of Halifax.

May 9th and 10th—The Grand Chapter of Maryland at Baltimore.

May 12th and 13th—The Grand Chapter of New Hampshire at Concord.

June 15th, 16th, 17th—The Grand Chapter of British Columbia at Penticton.

July 18th, 19th, 20th—The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario at Toronto.

Oct. 3rd, 4th, 5th—The 156th Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio at Columbus.

Oct. 5th, 6th—The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia at Huntington.

Oct. 19th, 20th, 21st—The 125th Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Michigan a Dearborn.

Dec. 7th, 8th—The Grand Chapter of Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania held in the very exquisite Masonic Temple in Philadelphia.

Feb. 28th, March 1st—The Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New York at Albany.

March 2nd, 3rd—The Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia at Washington.

It was my privilege and honour to be the guest speaker at the noon luncheon of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia. At the conclusion of their Grand Chapter, I was presented with the Joseph Brown Conway Medallion, being only the fourth in Ontario to be awarded this honour.

As a tribute to our Grand Jurisdiction, I was requested to address the various Convocations, and in several was the only visiting Grand First Principal to be asked to address the Convocation. I was made an Honourary Member of the Grand Chapter of Michigan and an Honourary Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia.

INSTALLATION AND INVESTITURE

We learned with regret of the sudden passing of Right Excellent Companion Frank Arthur Smith, Grand Superintendent of Algoma District No. 14, on May 31st, 1972. I instructed that a meeting of the Principals and Past Principals of that district be called for the election of a Grand Superintendent. Excellent Companion C. L. (Pat) Collins was their unanimous choice. Mrs. Gent and I flew to Dryden, Ontario with a number of Grand Chapter Officers and their wives where these Grand Chapter Officers assisted by the Grand Chapter Officers present and past of Algoma District installed and invested Right Excellent Companion C. L. (Pat) Collins on September 22nd, 1972. This Installation and Investure was followed by the first Ladies' Night ever held in Dryden. On Sunday, September 23rd, all Royal Arch Masons taking part in the Saturday ceremonies attended the Church Service with Right Excellent Companion and Mrs. C. L. (Pat) Collins.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

60 Year R.A.M. Bar

No.	Chapter
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui—Comp. W. P. Cusick.
15	Wawanosh—Ex. Comp. J. F. Newton, Comp. W. J. Carson.
25	St. Mark's—Comp. O. Alyea.
28	Pentalpha—Comp. J. H. Beaton.
30	Huron—R. Ex. Comp. H. B. M. Tichborne, R. Ex. Comp. H. Hill.

Fifty Years a Royal Arch Mason (54 received this Jewel)

No.	Chapter
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui—Comp. F. G. Babcock, Comp. E. Bearance, Comp. T. G. Bishop, Comp. J. W. C. Broom, Comp. M. C. Davey, Comp. E. T. Dennison, Comp. C. E. Leishman, Ex. Comp. J. C. McIlqhan, Comp. W. J. McKee, Comp. G. H. Veale, Comp. T. J. Walsh.
4	St. Andrew & St. John—Comp. T. Dale, Comp. H. B. Carnaham.
5	St. George's—Ex. Comp. H. F. Hill, Comp. C. W. Cryderman.
6	St. John's, Hamilton—V. Ex. Comp. I. A. Lee.
8	King Solomon's—Comp. H. Verncombe.
15	Wawanosh—Comp. R. Collum, R. Ex. Comp. R. E. Strain, Comp. W. M. Campbell, Comp. A. Rose.
22	Grenville—Comp. P. Buswell.
24	Tecumseh—Comp. A. C. Werner, Comp. W. G. Murr, Comp. R. W. Davis.
27	Manitou—Comp. E. D. Smith, Comp. D. B. Jones, Comp. R. J. Storey, R. Ex. Comp. H. A. McGowan.
30	Huron—Comp. H. A. Bogie, Comp. W. F. Saunders.
35	Keystone, Whitby—Comp. S. W. Walker.
36	Corinthian—Ex. Comp. R. Bestard, Comp. B. E. Marshall.
40	Guelph—Comp. T. Ramsey, Comp. P. G. Welford, V. Ex. Comp. L. I. Smith.
47	Wellington—Ex. Comp. J. N. McDonald.
71	Prince of Wales, Essex—Comp. H. Richardson.
72	Keystone, Stirling—Ex. Comp. R. A. Patterson.
73	Erie—Comp. J. R. MacPherson, Comp. J. B. Spence, Comp. J. F. West, Ex. Comp. R. J. Spence.
74	Beaver, Strathroy—Comp. W. Rogers.
76	Mount Nebo—Ex. Comp. L. T. Couch.

77 Occident—Comp. T. Carnochan, Comp. A. A. Daniels, V. Ex. Comp. J. E. Jenkins.
82 Shuniah—Comp. P. Summers.
95 Tuscan—Comp. M. O. Wilson.
103 St. John's, North Bay—R. Ex. Comp. J. Milligan.
138 Shekinah—Comp. S. J. Ashdown.
140 Fort William—V. Ex. Comp. W. F. Shapton, V. Ex. Comp. W. T. Biggar, Comp. W. R. Cunningham.
144 Presqu'ile—Comp. A. Dunnett, Comp. A. Halliday.
147 Lucknow—Comp. A. Hughes.
151 Laurentian—R. Ex. Comp. C. A. Bailey.
152 Alberton—Comp. T. J. Code.
167 Kichikewana—Comp. J. R. Stewart, V. Ex. Comp. B. J. Brownell.
213 Northern Lights—R. Ex. Comp. J. Ralph, Comp. G. F. Bailey, Comp. W. M. Widdifield, Comp. T. A. Skelly, Comp. C. R. Sellar.
215 Mimico—Comp. E. J. Corbett.
220 Lebanon, Etobicoke—R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Carr, V. Ex. Comp. W. M. Creech, Comp. G. Silverthorn.
226 Prince of Wales, Perth—Comp. R. H. Camble.
227 Quinte Friendship—Comp. C. R. Churchill.
233 Oakwood—Comp. R. A. Balckmore, Comp. D. M. Mitchell.
234 Halton—V. Ex. Comp. E. L. Arnold.
235 Aurora—V. Ex. Comp. J. H. Knowles, R. Ex. Comp. R. H. B. Cook, Ex. Comp. S. Davies, R. Ex. Comp. F. D. Lacey, Comp. R. Burns.
239 Blenheim—Comp. D. A. Henderson.
241 University—V. Ex. Comp. A. A. Kinghorn, Ex. Comp. F. R. Lorriman.
243 McKay—R. Ex. Comp. L. F. McDougall, R. Ex. Comp. J. H. Lee.
245 Preston—R. Ex. Comp. G. V. Hilborn.

For 25 Years Installed First Principal

No. Chapter
1 Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui—Ex. Comp. R. G. Allan.
6 St. John's, Hamilton—V. Ex. Comp. L. W. McConnachie.
7 The Moira—Ex. Comp. F. S. Follwell.
15 Wananosh—V. Ex. Comp. E. L. Treitz.
18 Oxford—V. Ex. Comp. A. A. House.
22 Grenville—Ex. Comp. W. R. Brown, Ex. Comp. Dr. R. P. Walker, Ex. Comp. C. R. Van Camp.
24 Tecumseh—Ex. Comp. G. Emsley.
30 Huron—Ex. Comp. J. Watson, Ex. Comp. J. W. G. Watson.
31 Prince Edward—Ex. Comp. H. DeMille.
36 Corinthian—R. Ex. Comp. E. W. Edmondson.
41 Harris—Ex. Comp. H. E. Longfield, R. Ex. Comp. E. A. Webber, Ex. Comp. E. W. Wright.
44 Mount Sinai, Napanee—Ex. Comp. C. F. Young.
47 Wellington—Ex. Comp. W. C. Lewies, Ex. Comp. J. B. McKerracher, Ex. Comp. J. M. Reid.
54 Palestine, St. Thomas—V. Ex. Comp. J. Wallace.
59 Sussex-St. Lawrence—R. Ex. Comp. T. Young, Ex. Comp. H. Acton, V. Ex. Comp. H. M. McKenney.
62 York—R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Platten.
64 Wilson—Ex. Comp. J. A. Noble.
69 Grimsby—Ex. Comp. L. O. Hysert.
71 Prince of Wales, Essex—Ex. Comp. G. A. Bennett, Ex. Comp. Dr. E. D. Hutchinson, R. Ex. Comp. G. L. Mickle.
72 Keystone, Stirling—Ex. Comp. F. Armstrong.
73 Erie—Ex. Comp. G. C. Craven.

74 Beaver, Strathroy—Ex. Comp. T. J. Kersey, V. Ex. Comp. R. Ostergood.
82 Shuniah—V. Ex. Comp. D. R. C. Langtree.
88 MacNabb—Ex. Comp. W. E. Hopper.
94 Midland—R. Ex. Comp. W. C. Blackwell.
95 Tuscan—R. Ex. Comp. E. T. Tuerney.
102 Algonquin—V. Ex. Comp. W. M. Sheills.
114 Bonnechere—Ex. Comp. H. Skinner.
117 Kitchener—M. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon.
119 King Cyrus—Ex. Comp. W. F. Getty.
129 Elliott—Ex. Comp. N. W. Stacey, R. Ex. Comp. L. Edighoffer.
135 Succoth—Ex. Comp. G. C. Greig.
147 Lucknow—V. Ex. Comp. Dr. J. E. Little.
151 Laurentian—Ex. Comp. A. A. Leach.
155 Ancaster—V. Ex. Comp. G. Allison, R. Ex. Comp. A. S. Martin.
184 Hugh Murray—V. Ex. Comp. W. Rostron.
205 Victoria, Thornhill—Ex. Comp. L. R. Marwood.
213 Northern Lights—Ex. Comp. H. W. Brown.
214 Vimy—V. Ex. Comp. B. A. Russell.
217 St. Alban's—Ex. Comp. S. Morris.
219 Ulster—V. Ex. Comp. D. S. McLachlan.
227 Quinte Friendship—Ex. Comp. H. J. Pigden.
234 Halton—Ex. Comp. W. Cleave, Ex. Comp. F. Carney.
242 St. Paul's, Lambeth—Ex. Comp. G. Hotham.
240 Palestine, Bowmanville—Ex. Comp. A. W. G. Northcutt.

50 Year Past Principal Bar

No. Chapter
40 Guelph—V. Ex. Comp. W. W. Swindell.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

No. Chapter
16 Carleton—Comp. W. S. Gilmour.

DISPENSATIONS—1973

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Emergent Convocation for H.R.A.	1
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Change of Location of Convocation	1
Visit of Another Jurisdiction	2
Change of Z. in Mid-year	1
To Join a Chapter in Another District	2
To Appoint Veilsmen	1

BY-LAWS

The following Chapters requested changes in their By-laws:

Chapter	No.	Chapter	No.
King Solomon's	8	The St. Patrick	145
Manitou	27	Atwood	149
Pentalpha	28	Ancaster	155
Harris	41	Mimico	215
Sussex	59	Beaver	225
Granite	61	Quinte Friendship	227
Maitland	68	Port Credit	230
Grimsby	69	Halton	234
Orient	79	University	241
Ark	80	McKay	243
Midland	94	Golden Star	254
Algonquin	102	Espanola	257
St. Francis	133	Quetico	259
King Darius	134		

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS APPROVED

To Most Excellent Companion G. Harold Shannon, Q.C., our thanks and appreciation for the thorough and masterly service rendered our Grand Chapter in so professionally and expertly reviewing and recommending for approval the new By-laws and Amendments to By-laws submitted for approval. May he be returned to health and long be able to carry on this task.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Recommendations from the Grand High Priest of Sister Grand Jurisdictions that the various distinguished masons listed hereunder be our Grand Representatives near their respective Grand Chapters have been graciously received; and we are pleased to issue commissions to:

Grand Chapter of New Brunswick ..... Ex. Comp. Allen Edison Stairs
Grand Chapter of Idaho ..... M. Ex. Comp. John M. Parker
Grand Chapter of Missouri ..... Ex. Comp. Darrell W. Cross

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR OUR GRAND CHAPTER

I have been privileged to recommend our following dedicated and distinguished companions as our representatives near the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario to the following Grand Chapters. These recommendations have been approved by the Grand Chapters involved:

Grand Chapter of New York ..... R. Ex. Comp. Hallett C. Banks
Grand Chapter of Indiana ..... V. Ex. Comp. David Sturch
Grand Chapter of Idaho ..... R. Ex. Comp. Joseph Hessey

COMMISSIONS

During the past year vacancies have occurred in the office of our representatives near the Grand Body in Sister Jurisdictions and the representatives of Sister Jurisdictions near our Grand Body.

On the recommendations received from the Grand High Priests concerned, we have sent Commissions as recommended to us to:

1. New Brunswick—Ex. Comp. Allen Edison Stairs.
2. Idaho—M. Ex. Comp. John M. Parker, Kellogg, Ida, 83837.
3. Missouri—Ex. Comp. Darrell W. Cross, 9525 Parkwood, Kansas City, Missouri, 64137.

To fill vacancies in our offices of Grand Representatives, we have recommended for the consideration of the Grand High Priest of the Jurisdictions concerned the following:

1. Kansas—R. Ex. Comp. Allan A. Leal.
2. New York—R. Ex. Comp. Hallett C. Banks.
3. Indiana—V. Ex. Comp. David Sturch.
4. Idaho—R. Ex. Comp. Joseph Hessey.
5. Argentina—R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule.

We trust that these, our worthy Companions, will be most acceptable to them. When their Commissions arrive, they will be presented on a suitable occasion.

ROYAL ARCH WELFARE COMMITTEE OF TORONTO DISTRICTS 8 & 8A

This Committee practising the true spirit of Masonry, leads in its efforts to bring hope and comradeship to those who are confined to hospital or shut in at home.

It is my privilege to pay tribute to all members of this Committee and to those members of the Welfare Committee of Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212, who by their work with the Mentally Retarded Children, are a great encouragement to those who have accepted the responsibility of caring for the retarded group. These well managed projects are not only a source of inspiration to the companions of capitular masonry and the Masonic Order as a whole but displays to those outside the Order the concern our Order has for the welfare of mankind.

Every Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction should have at least a Welfare Committee that is charged with the care and concern of those companions and their families confined to hospital and their home.

SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND

The dedication, the enthusiasm and the zeal with which the Late Most Excellent Companion Maurice A. Searle organized and put into existence, this project has been unsurpassed in our Order. Our present Chairman Right Excellent Companion Aube Weisman is no less dedicated, and he and his Committee have performed and carried on a masterful program.

This program gives to the worthwhile young companion and/or the child of a companion the needed additional encouragement to achieve the educational goal that might not be achieved without that help. Just remember the donation you give to this cause may help to complete the education of a doctor, a dentist, etc., who might someday be the one to administer to you your needed medical attention, or even the one who may save your life.

My companions the future of this Committee and its service to our cause, like every other one of your Committees is in your hands. Do we prove to our companions in need and the children of our less fortunate companions that we have the quality and consideration for others that will enable these young men and women to more productive lives to serve our great society?

Nothwithstanding that your 1972 donations to this fund were down $525.00 from the previous year, 28 awards were made. Since the beginning of this Committee, 140 applications were received and 12 awards have been made to 60 male and 52 female applicants.

MASONIC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Our great master of planning and detail Right Excellent Companion Maarten van Wamelen, has built upon the great foundation of his predecessors a course in Masonic Education and Instruction second to none.

The Instruction this Committee has given to our Grand Superintendents and those who have attended the lectures and seminars have been well prepared for the duties they were taught to perform. If they did not go back to their district and improve Masonic Instructions, it was certainly not the fault of this Committee.

In each district Masonic and Instruction Committees are appointed to design and formulate plans, through and with the cooperation of the Grand Superintendent in each district. This district committee and the Grand Superintendent must work together to achieve the success required. You have elected your Grand Superintendent and the Masonic District Instruction or Education Committee has been appointed to assist you. Make good use of both by asking for their help. If you cannot obtain from that Committee the help you require do not hesitate to write to the General Chairman or the Grand Scribe E. — in other words, if the companions of your Chapter need help, obtain it, that is your duty.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

Right Excellent Companion Aube Weisman brought to my attention the need of our Order for such a Committee. At my request he agreed to chair such a Committee; terms of reference were agreed upon, including the necessity of the closest cooperation with the Masonic Instruction Committee and the Committee for the Study of assistance to Chapters. Right Excellent Companion Aube Weisman with the assistance of Right Excellent Companion Maarten van Wamelen, has organized and put into operation a program to encourage membership. To achieve this, he has carried on extensive correspondence with our constituent Chapters and he has travelled widely. At all times he has kept your Grand First Principal advised of his program and his progress. Although this Committee has operated for less than nine months, it is already making progress and much success should be achieved by our 1974 Convocation.

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS

The future must be planned and the only way that we can plan that future is to know thoroughly the structure on which we must build and then plan a program that will be rewarding, satisfying and enticing to the present and future members of our Order and their families. We are fortunate in having in our membership not only a great mason but a great man amongst men in the person of Most Excellent Companion James E. Girven. Most Excellent Companion Girven has brought to our Order that ability to plan the assistance needed by an constituent chapter requiring assistance. Already Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction have received that assistance, and within six months seemed completely revived, and were receiving applications from candidates for the first time in some years. Companions were coming back to Chapter and still others were seeking re-affiliation and even those suspended

were seeking to be re-instated.

This great Mason and his Committee have found ways and means to help us re-create the interest in the Royal Craft, and yet permit us to retain unchanged the principles of brotherhood of our Ancient and Honourable Institution. The recommendations proposed and put into action by this Committee and other Committees are commencing to bring our Order up to the standard in this era that is so necessary to enable it to give to our Companions the guidance needed.

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF THE WORK

Most Excellent Companion Charles Emmett, whose everyday life takes him continuously across the length and breadth of this continent, has successfully and energetically headed this Committee on the work. He and his Committee have worked long hours to perfect the "work" to make it more serviceable to our Order. Their diligent research and drafting may be completed in sufficient time to submit a draft to this Convocation.

The aim of this Committee has been a determination to bring out a ritual that will not only give each candidate a memorial impression, but will each time give every Companion attending the Chapter a feeling of participating in a ceremony worthwhile. In order that our work will achieve that aim, we must also open our Chapters on time, do our business in an efficient and business like manner, set the Chapter up for the degree promptly and properly, examine and prepare candidates with the least delay, and then carry out the degrees with the dignity necessary to impress the candidate and hold the interest of the members. In conclusion, if Masonry is to satisfy man, it must be impressive and it must be enjoyable.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Most Excellent Companion G. Harold Shannon, Q.C., and his able Committee completed the re-draft of this Constitution and the Constitution will be submitted to this Convocation for your approval. Since our old Constitution is almost out of print, it is rather imperative that this Constitution be approved by this Convocation in order that it may be printed for distribution by late 1973 or early 1974. I know the great amount of time and the service given by Most Excellent Companion Shannon to this task, took from his practice. On behalf of this Grand Chapter and I personally thank Most Excellent Companion Shannon for the time and the service he has given.

COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRIBUTION AND USE OF THE RITUAL

Complaints have been received by the Grand Scribe E. on our policy governing the distribution of rituals. Our Grand Scribe E., acting on the strict instruction of this Grand Chapter, followed our policy. Both he and the Grand Chapter Officers were criticized. With this question in mind that our policy might not be in tune with present day requirements, and to give the Grand Executive and this Convocation a chance to discuss, determine and recommend a satisfactory policy to this Grand Convocation, I appointed Right Excellent Companion Fred Scott as Chairman and other capable experienced Grand Chapter Officers as a Committee to inquire into the present practice of the distribution and use of rituals and to recommend a practical policy to this Convocation.

COMMITTEE ON BRIDGING THE YOUTH GAP

Most Excellent Companion Fred W. D. Welham and his capable Committee undertook this momentous task. I know Most Excellent Companion Welham has travelled extensively in his study of this problem, but to date I have not had the privilege of reading his report. Our youth are the future of this Order, and if there is a gap, that gap must be bridged.

THE COMMITTEE ON DEDICATIONS AND PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED AT ANNIVERSARY AND CHURCH SERVICES

Most Excellent Companion Fred W. D. Welham and his Committee prepared detailed instructions of procedures to be followed. Early in the year these were mailed out to every Scribe E. Nothwithstanding, the existence and the receipt by every Scribe E. of these instructions, many Chapters did not have these instructions at hand to use and did not follow the procedures laid down at Chapter and district functions. Apparently, the Scribe E. did not pass these instructions on to the First Principal and the Director of Ceremonies, hence in some instances, the work distributed by Most Excellent Companion Welham went unused.

MEMBERSHIP

Our Membership continues to decrease in number. Our membership is now almost 6,000 less than in 1922 notwithstanding that the population during 51 years has increased many times. We must do all in our power to make our constituent Chapters so attractive and so enjoyable and so much fun that demits and suspensions will cease and brethren will seek membership in the Order. One Chapter in Western Ontario has achieved that goal. Since January 1st, 1973, it has had twenty-four applications.

FINANCES

Right Excellent Companion John Richardson brought to this office a wealth of financial knowledge which he has put to work for our benefit. During his service as Grand Treasurer, the duplicate set of books has been dispensed with, and only one set of Grand Chapter account books are now kept.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

This Committee under the Chairmanship of Right Excellent Companion Ed Marshall of Hamilton District has revived our "Keystone". An edition should be distributed to the Scribe E. of our constituent Chapters before we meet at this Convocation. It is my intention to request Right Excellent Companion Oliver Flint of Guelph, a retired High School History Teacher, to become editor of the "Keystone" for the coming year.

Proper public relations is necessary to keep the public appraised of our activities. This Committee has the know how; thus when planning a Masonic event, request the services of Right Excellent Companion Marshall and his Committee. Not only will they assist with your publicity but they will work with the other Committees involved.

Available communication between the Districts and the Public Relations Committee is necessary; and to serve this end, I am requesting that the Grand Superintendents-elect forward a monthly letter to the editor, informing him of Masonic events occurring in his district.

FAR NORTHERN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

In view of the fact that the problems of the Chapters in the North are different than any other part of our Grand Jurisdiction, I appointed Right Excellent Companion Arthur S. Haley of North Bay, Ontario, Chairman of such a Committee charged with—

(a) a study of the problems of all Chapters in Northern Ontario, north of North Bay and to report to this Grand Chapter these problems and as well as to recommend to this Grand Chapter and the Chapters concerned solutions to eleviate the problems;

(b) to assist the Grand Superintendents of the Northern Ontario Distrcits in arranging that the Chapters in the districts may serve their members more successful and to see that the material published by our various Committees is understood and used, as well as to see that all Chapters in these districts become attractive and enjoyable organizations in their respective communities.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE

Our Grand Scribe E., Right Excellent Companion Fred C. Conley, has served you well. He has served beyond the call of duty, arriving at the office most days at least an hour before the office opens and remaining often until almost midnight. Nothwithstanding, many of the frustrating problems he has faced, his mail is answered with the greatest diplomacy and tact possessed by any person. In addition to his service in and through the office of Grand Chapter, he has travelled throughout the length and breadth of this Grand Jurisdiction and in every area he has visited, he has advanced the cause of our Order. He and his assistant, Mrs. Margaret Wright, have devised ways and means of using forms and form letters to cut down the cost of the office operation and we extend our thanks and appreciation for their service beyond the call of duty.

I might point out to you that the Grand Scribe E.'s salary is not as much as that paid to a senior office secretary in the city of Toronto, but we have required that he do the work of a top executive. In view of the outstanding service he has performed in his office, and to this Grand Jurisdiction, I, therefore, request that a study of the responsibilities of this office be made and a recommendation be brought forward to the next Convocation of this Grand Chapter.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

The office of Grand Superintendent is a very vital part of our Order. Our Grand Superintendents serve one year. It takes that time to become familiar and efficient in his duties. I recommend that we study the possibility and give consideration to creating an office of Assistant Deputy Grand Superintendent, who would hold office for one year and would be required to work closely with the Grand Superintendent. This would give the Assistant Deputy Grand Superintendent a year to become familiar with the duties of that office.

APPRECIATION

My thanks to Right Excellent Companion William S. Thomson, our Grand H. and Right Excellent Companion William Sproule, our Grand J. for their cooperation and assistance during my first year of office. They have assisted the constituent Chapters wherever and whenever necessary,

and in so doing have travelled extensively throughout the jurisdiction.

My thanks to all Past Grand Z.'s for their assistance during the year. Often have I requested of them advice so freely given and have requested them to take on difficult tasks requiring tact and diplomacy and not once have they hesitated to arise to the occasion of performing the task. No Grand Jurisdiction can be governed without the assistance of the Past Grand Z.'s.

The service by our Grand Superintendents on the whole, has been satisfactory. Most of them rose to the challenge of trying to raise the standard of our Chapters to modern day thinking and service. The progress of our Grand Jurisdiction depends on the efficient administration given by our Grand Superintendents to our Districts A series of five efficient Grand Superintendents in any District will increase the membership of that District in the 5-year period, and make the Chapters in that District attractive useful groups in their respective Communities.

To the Chairmen and Members of all Committees, my sincere thanks for the thorough service you have given. Surely the long hours you have given will shortly turn our loss of membership into a gain. I particularly thank the Chairman and the Members of the Convocation Committee. Your organization and the results could not be improved. Your work has been superb.

THE FIRST CANADIAN-EUROPEAN TOUR

On October 5th, 1972 your Grand Chapter was invited by the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Germany to exemplify the Holy Royal Arch Degree, at the Royal Arch Chapter at Nurnberg, Germany, on May 11th, 1973, and to attend the Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Germany.

One hundred and sixty-eight including Royal Arch Masons and their wives will leave Toronto Airport on Thursday evening, May 10th, 1973, to fly to Nurnberg, Germany. Only members of this Grand Jurisdiction will assist in exemplifying the Degree, and no member of the Grand Council will take part and/or assist, except in case of emergency.

Following the Grand Convocation, the group will tour for eight days parts of Germany, Switzerland, and Austria, returning home on Sunday, May 20th. This event, I trust. will be Royal Arch Masonry in action, and, will demonstrate to at least a part of the world how dearly Masons love each other.

If this event is a success, it will be the beginning of events which will show the extent of our masonic principles and the effect of these principles can be unlimited.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

Each year we elect and appoint members to the Grand Executive. To date the Grand Executive and the present and past Grand Chapter Officers meet once per year at Grand Chapter. I propose that in the year 1973-74 that the Grand Executive and the past and present Grand Chapter Officers shall meet twice per year, at their own expense, on the second Saturday of June at Kitchener, Ontario, and on the second Saturday of November at or near or in the area of Smith Falls, Ontario. I feel that we have not made the use of the Grand Executive and the Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers that we should have.

In addition to this chance of the Grand Executive and the present and past Grand Chapter Officers to deal with Grand Chapter matters more than once per year, I, also, intend to designate members of the

Grand Executive as advisors to the Grand Superintendents. This will necessitate the members of the Grand Executive assuming more responsibility in the government of our Grand Jurisdiction.

My travel throughout the jurisdiction has brought home to me that we have many present and past Grand Chapter Officers who want to help and are capable of helping, but we have cast them aside. It is my intention to use every able past and present Grand Chapter Officer capable of carrying out instructions and duties. I, therefore, charge the newly elected Grand Superintendent of every district to immediately make a survey of his district, listing all past Grand Chapter Officers in his district to ascertain in what particular branch of the Order they wish or are willing to be employed, and to forward two copies of that list and information to the Grand Scribe not later than the 25th day of May, 1973, that we may organize and/or assign these Past Grand Officers to Committees.

I have, also, found that our lines of communication are almost nil. Time and time again, Past Grand Chapter Officers complain that they have received no knowledge or information concerning important Chapter events occurring in their areas. I, therefore, feel that it is necessary that Chapter Scribe E.'s be properly appraised and instructed in their duties that each Scribe E. will know how to acquire and properly communicate vital Chapter information to the members of their Chapter. To this end, I recommend that the Grand Scribe E. with the assistance of the Chairman of the Education Committee and others, whom I shall designate, prepare a course of instruction and that the Grand Scribe E. be sent throughout the Grand Jurisdiction during the month of September to visit the various districts and instruct the Scribe E.'s of the Chapters. It will give our Order that needed assistance.

During the eleven months I have served as your Grand First Principal, I have despatched well in excess of 1,000 letters. At the moment I have one secretary who is typing masonic correspondence more than 20 hours per week.

During the year I have read all Chapter summons received and wherever possible I have despatched a letter to the Scribe E. inquiring of the progress being made in his Chapter, and suggesting ways and means of making the Chapter more active and more enjoyable.

During my tour of duty I have made it a policy to refrain from participating in the conferring of degrees and even to a great extent in taking part in installations, simply because I feel there is so much more service required of a Grand First Principal than reciting the ritual, especially when there are so many past and present Grand Chapter Officers who are so capable in degree work, and are ready and willing to assist.

This year I think we have proved that the spirit of fraternalism, in all its aspects, is a spirit of cooperation. There can be no constructive progress without cooperation. There can be no cooperation without proper regard for duly constituted authority which is the very cornerstone of the social compact. If, therefore, the Masonic Order is to fulfill its high mission as the great exponent of brotherhood, every Freemason must be taught not only to be a law-abiding citizen but that he must cast his influence on the side of law and order.

No man ever grasped the full significance of the principles of Freemasonry simply by receiving the degrees. Brotherhood is a profession, comprising both a science and an art. Who can acquire a profession in six brief evenings and by learning a few paragraphs of lectures?

I cannot emphasize too much that masonry must do something in the way of spreading its principles to the world at large. Our teachings are not to be kept hidden for exhibition only within the secrecy of the Lodge or Chapter room. For the sake of Freemasonry and for the sake of the world the certain things for which we stand, as well as those against which we stand, must be well known to all mankind.

Masons themselves must change their attitude toward the fraternity. Their interest and devotion to the Masonic principle is by no means as great as it ought to be. Professions of brotherhood in any Masonic Lodge, Chapter, the Scottish Rite or any other Masonic body are of no more value than professions of religion in a church, unless they are acted upon.

Come, clear the way, then, clear the way.
Blind creeds and kings have had their day.
Break the dead branches from the path,
Our hope is in the aftermath
Our hope is in heroic men.
Star-led to build the world again.
To this event the ages ran
Make way for Brotherhood — make way for Man.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson and seconded by R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Sproule, and resolved,

"That the address of M. Ex. the Grand Z. be referred to the Committee on the Grand Z's Address to report thereon during the present Convocation of Grand Chapter."

ADDENDUM TO ADDRESS

Recommendation re the Honourary Grand Executive

MOTION

The possible number on the Honourary Grand Executive is to be increased from three to five members.

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The dedicated and outstanding service to this Grand Chapter and to almost every other Grand Body by Right Excellent Companion George E. Turner, M.D., our Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, is well known. I, therefore, recommend Right Excellent Companion George E. Turner, M.D., for confirmation as an Honourary Member of the Grand Executive in accordance with the provisions of our Constitution, and request this Grand Chapter concur in this recommendation.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LEO J. GENT,
GRAND Z.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1

Rt. Ex. Companion Deric Payne

It was a privilege and an honour to have been elected Grand Superintendent of St. Clair District No. 1. I extend my sincere thanks to the Companions of Blenheim Chapter No. 239, Blenheim, for sponsoring me and also the Principals and Past Principals of the District for

electing me to this high office. I also thank Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Companion Lester T. Fisher as my secretary and I extend to him many thanks for his support, and the fine manner in which he carried out his work. Also many thanks to all the Past Grand Superintendents for their assistance and fine words of encouragement.

I was always well received at every Chapter in the District while on my Official visit. It was always a pleasure to share the warmth and friendship of each Companion of every Chapter during friendship hour after the meeting.

In June, Blenheim Chapter No. 239 was host for the Spring District Divine Service which was well attended and it was an honour and a pleasure to have Most Ex. Companion Leo J. Gent in attendance. In October, McNabb Chapter No. 88, Dresden, was host for the Fall District Divine Service which was well attended following a breakfast at the Legion Hall. It was again a pleasure to have Most Ex. Companion Leo J. Gent in attendance. The lessons were read by the Grand First Principal and myself.

In October, I attended Bruce Chapter No. 53, Petrolia, which was celebrating their 100th year anniversary. The ceremony was well attend and the H.R.A. Degree was conferred on four candidates. The Officers are to be congratulated on their fine work.

In November, I attended the dinner, installation and investiture of Most Wor. Bro. Wm. K. Bailey in King Cyrus Chapter No. 232, G.R.C., Toronto. It was a very fine evening and was well attended. The work was well done by Grand Chapter Officers.

It has been an honour and a pleasure on behalf of Grand Chapter to present 50 year jewels and 25 year Past First Principal Jewels to Worthy Companions of our District. During my travels in St. Clair District and other Districts I visited. I have made many friends and look forward to many more years of continuing these friendships.

In closing I wish to extend my many thanks to the Principals and Officers of each Chapter in the District for their warm welcome I received on my visits and also with their interest in Royal Arch Masonry. With this interest in mind I'm sure we will continue to grow.

To my successor, I offer my support and co-operation during his term of office and I'm sure he will receive the same support that was given to me this past year.

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2

Rt. Ex. Comp. Chas. G. Smuck

As my term of office as Grand Superintendent of District No. 2 is drawing to an end, I humbly submit my report on conditions of Royal Arch Masonry in London District No. 2.

May I express my sincere appreciation to the Companions of my Mother Chapter, St. John's, No. 3, for proposing me for this exalted office, and also to the Principals and Past Principals for unanimously electing me to this high office and to the Most Ex. Grand First Principal for confirming the election.

My first official duty in office was to appoint Ex. Comp. E. H. Malton as my Secretary. Ex. Comp. Malton has been most efficient and his assistance has made the work of the Grand Superintendent much easier. He attended all the meetings on official visits, but one, at which time he was on vacation. He also travelled with me on all social occasions and repeat visits. My Secretary and myself attended the picnic in July held by Vimy Chapter and may I say this was a worthwhile

event in the social activitites of our Chapters as several Grand Chapter officers from Toronto, as well as our Grand First Principal, Most Ex. Comp. L. J. Gent, attended. May I say this event also included a church Service in the morning before the social activities began and was well attended.

At each of the official visits a Degree was conferred or exemplified, and I might add the work was very efficient and well done. Most Chapters used a well skilled Director of Ceremonies who seemed to instill more confidence in those working the degree.

It has been my happy privilege to present several 50 year Jewels and two 25 year Past Principal Jewels, also several Grand Chapter Certificates. One of the highlights of my term of office was to visit Palestine Chapter in St. Thomas, along with the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent to honour Rt. Ex. Comp. Dr. George Kennedy on being a 70 year member of the Craft. He was installed as First Principal of Palestine Chapter No. 54 on December 11, 1902 — and also became Grand Superintendent of London District No. 2 in 1915. Dr. Kennedy is still, at 97 years of age, very active in the Chapter. He is the oldest living Mason in Ontario and oldest active Past Master in Canada.

I appointed the Rev. R. R. Gordon of St. Georges Presbyterian Church, London, as District Chaplain and the District Divine Service was held on Sunday evening, October 1, 1972, with a fair turnout. The Grand First Principal attended and took part in the Service, the speaker being the Rev. R. R. Gordon who brought a very timely message.

I regret to report that the Membership in District No. 2 has dropped slightly owing to a heavy death rate in the last year.

May I report that the Scribe E. in each of the Chapters is doing a very commendable job. Chapter minutes were well written with books neat and in order.

I wish to report the reception on each of the official visits as well as on other occasions were very graciously carried out.

In closing may I express my "Thanks" to those Companions who accompanied me on my visits also to the Principals of all Chapters for the courtesy shown to me.

It has been an honour and privilege to represent the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent and to my successor every success.

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Henry Johnston

It has been a distinct honour and a very great pleasure for me to fill the office of Grand Superintendent this past year and convey my sincere thanks to my Chapter, Ezra No. 23, for sponsoring me, and to the Principals and Past Principals of Wilson District No. 3 for electing me to that office. My thanks to the Most Ex. Grand Z. for his confirmation of this.

As my first official duty I appointed Ex. Comp. W. J. Thompson as my Scribe, and to him I extend grateful thanks for the manner in which he acquitted his duties and for his support at all times.

I also had the honour of appointing Ex. Comp. F. D. Gillies as District Chairman of the Bursary Fund and Rt. Ex. Comp. John C. Ferguson as District Chairman of Masonic Education.

During my term of office it was a pleasure to attend the dedication of Kitchener Chapter No. 117, on Friday, June 2, 1972, and also to be present at the A. W. Campbell Conservation Park, Alvinson, when Vimy Chapter, Inwood No. 214 held a Divine Service and picnic, July 30th.

During my term of office I have had official visits to each Chapter as well as a goodly number of fraternal visits. With one exception the warmth and friendliness of the Companions has been all that could be desired and leaves one with an experience to be treasured in the years to come.

All is not roses in Wilson District, and in spite of my best effort, it has been impossible to create a revival of interest in one Chapter even to the extent of being able to arrange a meeting. This will have to be handled by higher authority. Another Chapter has had its tribulations, but now seems on the way to again becoming a good active Chapter.

The work and the degrees has been very good and I would especially commend Oxford Chapter for the excellent way a musical background is incorporated into the ceremonies of that group.

The co-operation of the Grand Chapter officers has been a real inspiration to me during this year and to them I extend my sincere thanks for the effort on their part to help me revive and reorganize interest when help was needed.

This has been an outstanding year for me in my Masonic life, and again I can only thank all those who made it possible. To my successor I pledge my support and trust his year will be as satisfying as this one has been to me.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4

Rt. Ex. Comp. W. E. Crerar

As my tenure of office comes to a close may I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation in having the privilege and honor of being Grand Superintendent of Wellington District No. 4. My sincere thanks to the Principals and Past Principals of this District for honoring Durham Chapter by electing me to this high office. To Most Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent my humble gratitude and thanks in confirming my election. Also to the Companions of Durham Chapter who accompanied me on all my visits and the Companions from a number of other Chapters who were present at many of these visits.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Kenneth M. Hooper as my Secretary and to whom I am indebted by the efficient manner in which he has performed the duties of Secretary. His knowledge of Royal Arch Masonry and particularly that pertaining to the duties of the Scribe E. has been a constant source of capable assistance and his efforts and help have been very much appreciated.

Two chapters who have not had Candidates in the past year now have or will have two or three Candidates for exaltation. This is most encouraging.

Throughout the District the total membership has remained the same as the previous year and the average attendance at convocations is down slightly. However in view of these facts I am firmly convinced Capitular Masonry in Wellington District No. 4 is gaining momentum and by the end of 1973 we will have much improvement.

On Friday, June 2nd I had the distinct pleasure and privilege of participating in the dedication of the new Chapter Room of Kitchener Chapter No. 117 Kitchener. The Members of this Chapter are to be congratulated on the luxurious quarters in which they are privileged to hold their meetings and to mark their progress in Masonry.

On Oct. 15th, we held our District Divine Church Service in St. George's Anglican Church, Guelph, with only a fair attendance. The Rev. Swan, Rector of St. James Anglican Church, Hanover, and a Royal Arch Mason of Durham Chapter conducted a very impressive service.

I took part in the reading of the Scripture lesson.

The Fall meeting of the Principals' Association was held in Ionic Chapter Room, Orangeville, Oct. 31st with a very good attendance. Rt. Ex. Comp. Aube Weisman, Chairman of the Bursary Committee was guest speaker.

All Royal Arch Masons of Wellington District will be pleased to note a donation of $100.00 was made by the Principals' Association to the Bursary Fund.

On November 4th, Saturday afternoon, a degree team of present and past Grand Chapter Officers organized by Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon Braby conferred the R.A.M. Degree, followed by a delightful evening of dancing.

We were especially honoured by having with us the M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., who gave a most inspiring address given at the Banquet hour.

To those distinguished Companions to whom I had the extreme pleasure of presenting 50 year R.A.M. Jewels my sincere congratulations. May we reap what they have sown.

The Companions honored were V. Ex. Comp. L. F. Smith, Guelph Chapter, No. 40; V. Ex. Comp. Earl "Jack" Arnold, Charter Member Halton Chapter, No. 234, Georgetown; and Rt. Ex. Comp. G. V. Hilborn, Preston Chapter, No. 245, Preston.

In conclusion, I would like to say how much I have enjoyed my term of Office. It has been a very pleasant and profitable experience representing the Grand First Principal in Wellington District. I have been amply repaid for the time and effort spent by the rich experience in Capitular Masonry, the new friendships formed and the knowledge that I have had some small part in promoting some of the better things of life. I would ask that the same support, cooperation and friendly feelings be given to my successor so that Capitular Masonry may continue to advance in Wellington District during his term of office.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 5

Rt. Ex. Comp. W. Bruce Sixsmith

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Hamilton District No. 5. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Companions of The Hiram Chapter No. 2 for nominating me, and the Past and Present Principals of the District for electing me to this high office. I also thank Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent for confirming my election.

Excellent Companion Joseph Neill, whom I appointed as my secretary, has carried out his responsibilities in a most efficient manner.

V. Excellent Companion Jack I. Loft was appointed District Chairman of the Bursary Fund and has worked untiringly in keeping the Chapters in the District informed of the work and needs of this most worthwhile project.

It was my privilege to participate, along with Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott, in the presentation of "50 Year Royal Arch Mason's Jewels" to Rt. Ex. Companions Lorne F. McDougall and John H. Lee, both members of McKay Chapter No. 243.

An evening of Masonic Instruction was held at the invitation of McKay Chapter No. 243 under the direction of Rt. Ex. Companion Henry G. Edgar, District Chairman of Masonic Instruction. He was assisted by a number of Companions from the District and each contributed to a most profitable evening for those in attendance.

I was received with dignity and warm hospitality on all my official visits. The evenings on each occasion were well planned and the degree work carried out in an exemplary manner. The support from the Companions of the District was a source of encouragement to myself and I am sure to the Officers of the Chapters visited.

The District Divine Service was held at St. John United Church, Hamilton, Ontario, on Sunday, October 29, 1972, and was well supported by the Companions and their ladies.

I owe a deep debt of gratitude to the Principals and Companions throughout the District, and to the Grand Chapter Officers Past and Present for their support and guidance throughout the year. Also, my report would not be complete without a special "Thank you" to Rt. Ex. Comp. Frederick C. Conley for his prompt attention to all reports and requests.

In conclusion, I would suggest that Capitular Masonry in Hamilton District No. 5 is being carried out in the manner prescribed by Grand Chapter. The dedication and devotion of the Principal Officers and the support of the rest of the Companions augurs well for the future of Royal Arch Masonry in the District. Harmony exists among the Chapters and inter-Chapter visitations appear to be on the up-swing.

To my successor I extend congratulations and best wishes, and trust that his year will prove as stimulating to him as the past year has been to me. Once again, Companions, a most sincere "Thank you".

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

Rt. Ex. Comp. Lloyd R. Sorsdahl

It is with pleasure that I, as your representative in Huron District No. 6, submit my report for Royal Arch Masonry in this district.

It has been a real privilege and honour for me to have been Grand Superintendent of Huron District No. 6. I sincerely thank the Companions of Elliot Chapter No. 129 for my nomination and their support at Grand Chapter and to all the Principals and Past Principals of their support and confidence in electing me their Grand Superintendent for 1972-73.

Ex. Comp. William Cheoros consented to act as my secretary. He accompanied me on all, except one, of my official visits. He was most efficient in his services and I thank him for his invaluable advice and assistance during the year.

I was received with the proper respect and dignity on all my official visitations. The presence of Grand Chapter Officers of the District portrayed their continued active support and assisted to inspire the Officers and Companions of their various Chapters and their support was deeply appreciated.

A degree was conferred on all my official visits except one Chapter. The work of the various degrees were conferred in an efficient manner by the Officers of Chapters and in most cases assisted by Past Principals with various parts of work. The fellowship and companionship was quite evident and made every visit an enjoyable evening.

The Divine Service for Huron District No. 6 was held at Knox Presbyterian Church, in Mitchell, on Sunday, October 22nd, 1972, at 3:00 p.m. The service was conducted by Rev. Wallace Murray, Pastor of the church. The address was delivered by Rt. Ex. Comp. Alex Campbell of Thorold, Ont., a Past Grand Superintendent of Huron District No. 6 and also a Past Grand Chaplain. There was a good attendance of Companions and families. A social half hour was enjoyed by all in the Church Parlor after the service.

I attended the two meetings of the Principals' Association. The fall meeting was held at Huron Chapter, Goderich, where both the M.M.M. and M.E.M. Degrees were conferred. We were privilged to have Rt. Ex. Companion Maarten van Wamelen present to deliver remarks and instruction.

The spring meeting was held at Tecumseh Chapter, in Stratford where the officers for the ensuing year were elected. The Principals' Association conferred the M.E.M. degree and all Chapters had Officers participating in the degree.

It was my privilege to present two 25 year Past Principal Jewels.

In closing, I would like again to thank the Principals and Companions of the District for their support and those who accompanied me on my visits. To my successor, I extend best wishes and pledge my support. May his year in office be as rewarding to him as this year has been to me.

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7

R. Ex. Comp. Wilson S. Anderson

It was a privilege and honour to have been elected Grand Superintendent of Niagara District No. 7. I wish to extend my thanks to the Companions of Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19, St. Catharines for sponsoring me and the Principals and Past Principals of the District for electing me to this high office. I would also like to thank Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A., for confirming my election.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Excellent Companion Leonard McMann as my Secretary. He performed his duties in a very efficient manner and was a great help and support to me during the year for which I sincerely thank him. My other appointments consisted of Excellent Companions John Galloway, Chairman of the District Bursary Fund, along with Excellent Companion Robert Phillips.

At all my visits I was received with dignity and warm cordiality. A degree was conferred or exemplified at each of my official visits in an excellent manner by the Officers of the Chapters.

During the year, it was my privilege and honour to present for the First Grand Principal, on behalf of Grand Chapter, two fifty year Royal Arch Masons Jewels and two twenty-five year Past Principal's Jewels.

In addition to the official visits, my secretary and I were able to attend the installation ceremonies as well as other convocations.

Among the highlights of the year was the honour extended to me by Willson Chapter No. 64, Welland, to perform the ceremony of dedication of their new banners, triple tau, and Volume of Sacred Law, along with Right Excellent Companion, the Reverend Alex Campbell, a Past Grand Chaplain.

Other nights to remember included my visit to Kitchener Chapter, where Grand Chapter Officers conferred the Holy Royal Arch Degree, and my visit to King Cyrus Chapter, Toronto, on the occasion when our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Bailey was given Grand Chapter honours.

The District Divine Service was held in St. Paul Street United Church, St. Catharines, with the Reverend Brother L. T. C. Harbour, President of the Hamilton Conference of the United Church, bringing a timely message to the many Companions present.

To my successor, I extend my congratulations. I will endeavour to assist him in any way I can and hope the Chapters give to him the same co-operation which has been accorded to me.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8

Rt. Ex. Comp. Frederick H. Daubney

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the support given to me by the Companions of the District and to the Principals, Past and Present, of Toronto District No. 8, for electing me Grand Superintendent as Representative of our Most Ex. Grand First Principal Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Companion Russell Spenceley as my Secretary. His efficient and capable assistance, and company on all my Official Visits has added to the enjoyment on these occasion. Some of the highlights of my year in Office was being present at the Dedication of the New Temple at Kitchener, along with the Grand Council and other Grand Chapter Officers. Another occasion was to travel to Dryden, for the Investiture of the Grand Superintendent of District No. 14, Algoma, Northern Ontario, where I had the honour of acting as J. of the Grand Council when opening and closing Grand Chapter.

I have attended all the Chapters in District No. 8 at least three of four times during my term of office, both Officially and Fraternally. I must comment on the warmth and dignity with which I was received and the hospitality which was extended to me at all of my Official visits. The Degree Work in District No. 8, speaking generally, is good, but the attendance by the Companions leaves something to be desired. The spirit and enthusiasm of the active Members of the District is a pleasure to behold, but, I cannot stress enough the importance to all Chapters of involving the Junior Members of their Chapters as well as their wives and families, in Social Events, Family and Ladies' Nights.

During my term, two 25 Years Past Principals Jewels were presented to Ex. Comp. Dr. Marwood and Ex. Comp. Cecil C. Mabley.

Nine 50 Year Jewels were presented to M. Ex. Comp. John House, V. Ex. Comp. Harold B. Cook, V. Ex. Comp. Andrew A. Kinghorn, V. Ex. Comp. F. Clinckett, V. Ex. Comp. Harry Watson, Ex. Comp. Frederick R. Lorriman, Ex. Comp. Lyle M. Nichols, Ex. Comp. J. M. Low.

I would like to see these Presentations made with the Chapter closed, to enable the families and friends of the recipients to be present to give still greater pleasure to the one being so honoured.

On Sunday, October 1, Districts Nos. 8 and 8A held a Divine Service at St. David's Anglican Church, Donlands Ave., the Reverend J. Johnson presiding and assisted by Members of the Grand Council. This was fairly well attended by the Companions and their Ladies.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Edward Elcombe, as Chairman of the Education Committee, has been of great assistance to me; also V. Ex. Comp. Joe Bell as Chairman of the Bursary Committee, District No. 8.

In conclusion, I would like to mention the help freely given to me by our Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred C. Conley, to keep me within due bounds. To the Companions of District No. 8 goes my sincere thanks for their support. I hope and trust I have carried out the duties and responsibilities of the high office in both a dignified and efficient manner befitting the Representative of our Most Excellent Grand First Principal Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A. To my successor I pledge my support and may his year in office be as rewarding to him as this one has been to me.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8A

Rt. Ex. Comp. Donald M. Wilson

To the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. L. Gent goes my sincere appreciation on the confirmation of my election as Grand Super-

intendent of Toronto District 8A by the Ruling and Past Principals of the District and to Oakwood Chapter No. 233 on supporting me as their nominee for this high office.

It was my pleasure to have Ex. Comp. Roy Griffin accompany me as Secretary during my term of office. His pleasant manner together with his efficiency for detail was of great assistance.

During this year I visited each Chapter in the District at least twice, one of them being my official visit where I found all Chapters conferring degrees in a very competent manner, although some Chapters rely too heavily on their Past Principals. The members must be given an opportunity to participate if we intend to hold their attention.

One of the most rewarding evenings during the year was on November 15, 1972, when one of King Cyrus Chapter members, Most Wor. William K. Bailey, Grand Master of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario, was installed as Third, Second and First Principal of his Chapter by the Grand Council headed by Most Ex. Comp. L. Gent and then being invested by Rt. Ex. Comp. H. L. Martyn with his regalia of a Grand Steward, of Royal Arch Mason of Canada in the Province of Ontario, an honour bestowed on a worthy and dedicated Mason.

The two Toronto Districts, 8 and 8A, held a joint Masonic Church Service at St. David's Anglican Church on Sunday, October 1, 1972, with Present and Past Grand Chapter Officers in attendance.

Three Educational Evenings were held during the year and at no time were more than fifty percent of the Chapters in the District represented. Lack of interest is the start of decay. These Educational Evenings, designed for every Companion, new and old, were most interesting and informative, something every Companion might have benefited from.

Royal Arch Masonry has a wealth of knowledge to offer those who are willing to invest a little time. To the companions of Toronto District 8A, I present a challenge. We know we are the best District in the Province of Ontario. Let's show it by having the best record of attendance at all district special events (Church Services, Educational Evenings, Welfare Meetings, etc.) and support my successor at all his Official Visits and special meetings called by him. Your support of other Chapters will be rewarded by their support of your Chapter.

I wish for my successor a successful and rewarding year and will do everything in my power to assist him when called upon.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9

Rt. Ex. Comp. Stanley R. Burton

It has been a great privilege and honour to have been the Grand Superintendent of Georgian District No. 9. I most sincerely thank the Companions of Kichikewana Chapter No. 167 for my nomination and their support at Grand Chapter and my thanks to all the Principals and Past Principals of the District in electing me their Grand Superintendent. My thanks also to Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent for confirming my election.

My first duty as Grand Superintendent was to appoint Ex. Comp. Lloyd Roberts as my secretary. He was always ready to accompany me on my visitations and I thank him for his co-operation and assistance during the year.

I would also like to thank Rt. Ex. Comp. Garnett Tait for accepting the Office of District Bursary Committee and the District Masonic Education Committee.

On all my visits to the Chapters, I was received with warm cordiality and dignity. A degree was conferred or exemplified at each of my

visits. The very fine manner in which the officers conferred or exemplified the degree was of a high calibre and very impressive. A good number of Past Principals and Companions also took part in the degree work.

Although the attendance in the District is low, the enthusiasm in Capitular Masonry is very high. Each Chapter has assured me that every effort will be made to increase, not only the attendance at regular meetings, but also membership. I am very optimistic about the future of Royal Arch Masonry in Georgian District.

I have had the honour and pleasure of presenting three Fifty Year Royal Arch Masons Jewels and assisting with one on behalf of the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal.

In closing, I would like to thank all the Companions who gave their time to accompany me on my visits, and all the Principals and Companions of the District for their friendship, courtesy and warmth in making this the most rewarding and pleasant year I have had in Masonry.

To my successor, I wish him every success and pledge him my support.

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10

R. Ex. Comp. Irvine L. Fisher

We have visited all of the Chapters in the District twice plus attending all Chapter Ladies' Nights and Picnics.

The reception was at an all time high.

We attended the Dedication of Kitchener Chapter No. 117, Kitchener, Ont.

We all enjoyed the fellowship with the members of this Chapter.

On June 3, 1972, St. John's Chapter No. 48, Cobourg, now meeting in Port Hope, observed their 100th Anniversary.

On October 29, 1972, we held our District Church Service in Cannington at the United Church.

There were approximately 54 Companions plus the families present.

On November 19, 1972, Ionic Chapter No. 168, Campbellford, held a "First" ever held in this District. "A Family Church Service in the Chapter Room". It was set up as though a regular meeting would be held there that night. The entire Family was present. There were 120 Companions plus families and Brothers present. They represented 8 Chapters. They all enjoyed the Service.

We also attended the Christmas Observance in Peterborough, on December 14, 1972. The host was Corinthian Chapter No. 36.

We regret that the year is coming to a close.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

Right Excellent Comp. Gordon H. Fresque

May I first express my thanks to the Past Principals and members of Mount Sinai Chapter No. 44 in Napanee for proposing me for the office of Grand Superintendent and to the Past Principals of the District for their confidence in electing me to this high office and to Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent for confirming my election.

My first official duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Reginald C. Dawson as my secretary, which duty he performed in a most excellent manner and accompanied me on all my official visits.

During my Official Visits to the eight Chapters comprising District No. 11, a warm, courteous and dignified reception was extended to me

as the representative of the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal. The work I found, in most cases, was performed in a most capable manner.

It was my privilege to make three visits outside District No. 11 during my term of office. (1) to Kitchener No. 117 on the occasion of the dedication of their new Chapter Room; (2) to Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui No. 1, Kingston on the occasion of their 175th anniversary; (3) to St. George's Chapter No. 5, London, Ontario, on the biennial fraternal visit of Quinte Chapter No. 227, Belleville, Ontario.

District Divine Service was held in Trinity United Church, Napanee, on September 24, 1972. This was well attended by the Companions and their families. Rt. Excellent Companion the Rev. J. A. Payton, B.A., B.D., gave an inspiring sermon on this occasion. Approximately one hundred persons partook of the luncheon which followed the service.

A District Ladies' Night was held in October at the Masonic Temple in Belleville. Under the chairmanship of Most Excellent Companion Bruce Smith the evening was a sparkling success, the banquet hall being filled to capacity.

I visited all the Chapters in the District several times during my term of office and attended all the installations. The joint installation and investiture of officers of St. Mark's Chapter No. 26, Trenton and Presqui'ile Chapter No. 144, Brighton was of particular interest in that Grand Chapter Officers of the District did the work. It was a pleasure to have our Grand Third Principal, Rt. Excellent William H. Sproule with us on this occasion. The Installation and Investiture took place on Saturday, January 20th beginning at 4:00 p.m. and concluded with a banquet. Rt. Ex. Companion Angus McDonald deserves high praise for organizing this highly successful event. On future occasions of this type I would suggest that the Ladies be included in the banquet followed by some type of social evening.

During the year I presented a 25 Year Past Principals Jewel to Ex. Comp. C. F. Young of Mount Sinai No. 44 and a 50 Year Jewel to Comp. Gus Halliday at his residence in Seeley's Bay. Companion Halliday is a long time member of Presqu'ile Chapter No. 144.

The District also had a regular schedule of Inter-chapter visits which started on February 1st and concluded on April 18th.

During the current year it was my honour to be installed as the Master of a Craft Lodge. On this occasion a large number of Royal Arch Masons entered the Lodge Room in a body which was a most impressive sight to those not members of the Royal Craft. It behooves all Royal Arch Masons to be regular attenders of their Craft Lodges if we expect to attract candidates for Royal Arch Masonry.

I want to thank my predecessor, Right Excellent Companion Frank K. Hodgen, who assisted me tremendously to get started on my duties.

In conclusion, I feel that Royal Arch Masonry is in good hands in this District and still better days lie ahead. Again I wish to thank all the Companions in the District for a year that will remain in my memory for years to come. To my successor may I offer my whole-hearted cooperation and support and may his year in Office be as rewarding to him as this one has been to me.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

Rt. Ex. Comp. D. R. Hough

First of all I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Principals and Past Principals of this District for the honour conferred upon me, in electing me to this office and to Most Ex. Comp. Gent in confirming same.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Gordon W. Thom as my District Secretary and I take this opportunity of thanking him for his faithful and efficient service.

Rt. Ex. Comp. A. L. Farnsworth was appointed Chairman of the District Masonic Instruction Committee and Rt. Ex. Comp. R. N. Seymour was appointed Chairman of the Bursary Committee. They in turn appointed the members of their respective committees.

During my term of office I visited all Chapters in the District officially and several for a second time. I was received with warm hospitality and dignity due to a representative of the Grand First Principal. The degree work was very good and varied very little from the ritual The attendance left something to be desired and I am not really sure how to improve it. Records are being properly kept.

One of the highlights of my term was the celebration of the 175th Anniversary of Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1 in June, 1972. The celebration was well marked by suitable work, an enjoyable banquet and the participation of the Grand Z., Most Excellent Companion Leo J Gent and other present and past Grand Chapter Officers.

The presentation of many jewels in the area gives light to the activities o fthe past and the dedicated chapter members that have been and still are the vertibrae, that hold the backbone of the Chapter together and keep it upright, just and a fraternity to be proud of.

Many plans are in motion and I am sure my message on behalf of the Grand Z. will bear fruit during the coming year. In fact Chapter Ladies' Nights have been held in Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston last term and Maitland Chapter, No. 68, Kemptville this present term. Great benefits were received from both.

I am very much concerned with the decrease in membership in most Chapters although some are doing very well. The success of a Chapter appears to relate directly to the dynamic outgoing personalities of the Officers and the number of people in the Community. This past year Covenant Chapter No. 113, Cornwall is a good example of meaningful activity with their special nights and number of Candidates.

Particularly in this rural area I think the time has come for relief to be given to members on reaching retirement age of 65 years, when their income is very much reduced. I would therefore recommend that the cost of Life Membership be revised and reduced at age 65 and over.

A District Chapter of Instruction is scheduled for St. John Chapter No. 112, Morrisburg, May 12, 8:00 p.m., at which time R. Ex. Comp. Maarten van Wamelen, Chairman of the Masonic Education and Instruction Committee has agreed to lead a team that will give an interpretation to the work of the various degrees.

The advantages offered by the Bursary Committee to deserving students was pointed out and explained to the Chapters on my official visits.

Generally the financial situation of some Chapters is improving due to higher dues and initiations.

In conclusion I would like to thank the Officers and Companions of this District for their generous support during the past year. To my successor I offer my sincere support and wish him every success.

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

Rt. Ex. Comp. George H. Patterson

As my term of office as Grand Superintendent draws to a close, it is with great pleasure I present my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in the Ottawa District No. 13.

First I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the Companions of Ottawa District No. 13, for the honor conferred on me in electing me to the office of Grand Superintendent and also my appreciation to Most Excellent Companion Leo J. Gent for his confirmation of my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Harry F. Gardiner as my secretary. He accompanied me on all my official visits. For his loyal and efficienct manner with which he handled the duties of that office I shall be ever grateful. The records of all the Chapters in the Ottawa District No. 13 were examined and found in good condition by him.

On all my official visits I was graciously received and as the representative of the Grand First Principal welcomed with courteous dignity. At all visits a degree was conferred or exemplified. The Officers, Past Principals and Members who participated were most proficient in the work.

A District meeting was held on May, 31 1972 in St. Francis Chapter room in Smiths Falls for the purpose of Instruction with a very good attendance.

It was my great pleasure to be invited to attend the 175th Anniversary of Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston, on June 3rd, 1972, at which time M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, the Grand First Principal was present and gave a very interesting address.

On Sunday, October 1st, 1972, a District Divine Service was held in Smiths Falls at St. John's Anglican Church. It was a very fine service, but I was extremely disappointed with the poor response of the Companions of the Ottawa District No. 13. I would suggest to my successor that careful consideration be given before attempting another District Divine Service.

On October 27, 1972, a Chapter of Instruction Night for the District was held in Smith Falls under the chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. E. J. J. Jackson. The meeting was very well attended and I think this helps to bring uniformity of the work in the Chapters of the District.

On December 15, 1972, the Past Principals' Association on the invitation of Granite Chapter No. 61 conferred the Royal Arch Degree. There was a large attendance and the Past Principals' Association are to be congratulated on their efforts.

It was my great honour and privilege during the year on behalf of Grand Chapter (a) to present to Ex. Comp. Harold Skinner, of Bonnechere Chapter, No. 114, a 25 Year Jewel, (b) also being invited by Prince of Wales Chapter, No. 226 to invest V. Ex. Comp. Dawson Kerr, the Grand Organist, with his regalia, and (c) to present a 25 Year Jewel to Ex. Comp. Arnold J. Illingworth.

The overall picture of Royal Arch Masonry in the Ottawa District is good, with the Chapter Officers being particularly enthusiastic, endeavoring to promote interest and goodwill among the Companions. The only disappointing factor in our Chapters is the small number of Companions who attend the meetings, as is shown in my reports. During my visits I have tried to leave a message of interest on the degree of the evening in Chapter, and a message on Capitular Masonry at the banquet hour. I tried to leave a thought about the heritage of our Order that would make us better Royal Arch Masons.

In conclusion may I say that I am deeply grateful to those who have made this year possible for me. My thanks to all the Companions of the Ottawa District for their support, their courtesy and consideration during my term of office. My special thanks to the Companions of St. Francis Chapter No. 133 for their loyal support and assistance.

To my successor may I offer my full support and assistance that his term of office will be as rewarding as it has been for me.

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

Rt. Ex. Comp. C. L. (Pat) Collins

It is an honor and a privilege to present my report, as District Grand Superintendent for Algoma District No. 14.

It is with sad regret that my election to this high office, was to fulfil a vacancy left by the sudden passing away, of our distinguished Companion, Rt. Ex. Comp. F. A. Smith.

I had the honor of being installed as the District Grand Superintendent of Algoma District by our Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, at a district meeting held at Golden Star Chapter No. 254, Dryden, Ont., on Sept. 16th, 1972.

Following my installation, I appointed Ex. Comp. S. O. Norman as my secretary, who has been most helpful to me. I also appointed Ex. Comp. G. Amos as chairman of Masonic Education, and Ex. Comp. R. Jackson as chairman of the Bursary Fund.

On Oct. 9th I made my first official visit to Alberton Chapter, No. 152, Fort Francis, Ont. I was received in a very dignified manner. 152, Fort Francis, Ont. I was received in a very dignified manner. I am confident that the officers are capable of conferring all degrees.

On Oct. 11th I carried out my visit to Atwood Chapter No. 149, at Rainy River. This is the smallest Chapter in the province, with a membership of only 39 members. At the time of my visit their Chapter being in rented premises, the building had been condemned and it was necessary for them to seek new quarters. I am happy to report that this has now been affected, and they have new accommodation.

On Oct. 17th I made my official visit to Shuniah Chapter No. 82, Thunder Bay. Again I was very well received. The M.E.M. Degree was exemplified in a very capable manner.

On Oct. 25th I visited with the Companions at Golden Chapter No. 90, Kenora. Having visited with the Companions of this Chapter before my election to District Grand Superintendent, I was very warmly received. The M.M.M. Degree was conferred on two Brothers.

My next visit was to Quetico Chapter No. 259, Atikokan. Again this is a small Chapter with 52 Members. The M.M.M. degree was conferred on one Brother. This is a small and remote community, but the spirit and companionship of this Chapter are excellent.

On Nov. 6th I visited with the Companions of Fort William Chapter No. 140, Thunder Bay. The M.M.M. Degree was conferred on one Brother. This Chapter is to be complimented on the very capable manner in which they carried out their degree work. The First Principal was suddenly called away, and the officers carried on very ably.

My last visit was to Golden Star Chapter No. 254, Dryden. The M.M.M. Degree was conferred on one Brother. I was received in a very dignified manner and spent an enjoyable evening in fellowship with the Companions.

On all my visits I have stressed the importance of attendance, and have requested that all Chapters hold a Ladies' Night, an All Members' Night, a Past Principals' Night. I have been assured that this will be done before summer recess. I trust these meetings will improve attendance throughout the district.

District Number 14 covers a large area, being some 300 miles from Chapter to Chapter. Because of the distance involved I have not been able to visit each Chapter as often as I would have wished.

I would like to express my appreciation to all the Companions throughout the district for their loyal support during my term of office,

and solicit for my successor the same loyal support.

Finally to Most Ex. Comp. Leo. J. Gent I extend my appreciation for the privilege of serving as his representative in Algoma District.

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

Rt. Ex. Comp. E. E. McWilliams

As the representative of the Grand First Principal I have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in New Ontario District No. 15 for the year 1972.

Ex. Comp. Harry O'Hara was appointed as my secretary. He accompanied me on all visits, assisting in our work wherever possible.

Degree work was conferred at each official visit. The ritual work was very well done in each Chapter. The candidates impressed me as Companions who would be an asset to their Chapters in years to come.

Our visits were made in the following order with a degree conferred on candidates by each Chapter.

Tuscan Chapter, No. 95, Sudbury, Sept. 21, 1972. This Chapter is the largest of our Chapters and is in very good financial condition. The officers are proficient in their ritual work.

Algonquin Chapter, No. 102, Sault Ste. Marie, Sept. 22, 1972. The Officers and Companions had a busy year with 14 Candidates and a total gain in membership of 5 over suspensions, deaths, etc.

St. John's Chapter No. 103, North Bay, Oct. 5, 1972. We were received in a dignified and friendly manner. The degree work was well done.

Espanola Chapter No. 257 Espanola, Oct. 17, 1972. This Chapter has to contend with the long distance to be travelled by some of the Officers for each meeting. It is to the credit of Officers to have an above average attendance at each meeting.

The Chapter of Instruction held in Sudbury on Saturday, Oct. 28, had around 38 Companions present. Tuscan Chapter conferred the M.M.M. Degree on two candidates followed by a M.E.M. Degree conferred by St. John's Chapter. The ritual work was very effective. This was a rewarding and profitable meeting for all.

I wish to express my thanks to the Companions in the District for electing me as Grand Superintendent and to the Most Ex. Grand First Principal for confirming their choice.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

Rt. Ex. Comp. E. R. MacElwee

May I first express my thanks to the Past Principals and Members of Northern Lights Chapter No. 213 for proposing me for the office of Grand Superintendent, and to the Past Principals of the District for their confidence in electing me to this high office, also to the Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z. for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. H. H. Redden as my District Secretary. He accompanied me on all but one of my official visits, and was most efficient in making his reports.

Official visits were made to each Chapter in the district and I was received in a dignified manner, and warmly welcomed as a representative of the M. Ex. Grand First Principal.

On Wed., June 21, I attended Northern Lights Chapter No. 213 and presented Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Ralph with his 50 Year Jewel.

On Sat., June 24, I held a Lodge of Instruction at the Masonic

Hall in Timmins at 2:00 p.m. There was a poor turnout from the District. However, it was beneficial to those who did attend.

On Wed., Sept. 20th, I made my official visit to Kirkland Chapter No. 251, where the M.E.M. Degree was conferred in a very efficient manner. I was warmly welcomed by all present. On this same date in Northern Lights Chapter No. 213, Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Ralph presented Comp. C. Sellars with his 50 Year Jewel.

On Thursday, Oct. 12th, I attended Temiskaming Chapter No. 169, Haileybury, with four members of Northern Lights making the trip. We were treated to a banquet, after which we attended Chapter, A number of officers were not present, so the M.M.M. Degree was not exemplified as planned.

Sunday, Oct. 22nd Northern Lights Chapter No. 213 held a church parade at St. Matthew's Cathedral in Timmins. Ex. Comp. very Rev. G. C. C. Scovil is the Dean of the church. Approximately 20 attended, beside the ushers. The service was very impressive and pertained to R.A.M. in general.

On Thursday, Oct. 26th, I made my official visit to Abitibi Chapter No. 223, held in Timmins at the Masonic Hall. The M.M.M. Degree was exemplified, because the candidate was not available. The work was done in an efficient manner. I expect to see the M.M.M. Degree conferred at their November meeting in Timmins

On Wed., Nov. 15th, I made my official visit to Northern Lights Chapter No. 213. The R.A. Degree was conferred in a very efficient manner.

In closing I would like to say that some Chapters in the District are having problems with attendance and getting new candidates. However, the Companions deserve a lot of credit for carrying on over the years, and maybe times will be better in the future.

Once more I wish to thank all the Chapters in the District for their support, and wish the best to my successor and offer my support and assistance to him.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE E.

To the M. Ex. The Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

No.	Name of Chapter	Charges	Dr.	Cr.
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	$310.70	$	$ 6.40
2	The Hiram	206.00		4.65
3	St. John's, London	91.35	13.45	
4	St. Andrew & St. John	140.25		3.50
5	St. George's	191.90		44.00
6	St. John's, Hamilton	195.85		4.15
7	The Moira	333.20		19.40
8	King Solomon's	603.00		8.80
15	Wawanosh	275.70	26.20	
16	Carleton	746.90		7.70
18	Oxford	312.20	5.60	
19	Mount Moriah	314.30	7.60	
20	Mount Horeb	110.20		65.00
22	Grenville	103.00	47.20	
23	Ezra	213.15		2.10
24	Tecumseh	337.95		45.40
26	St. Mark's	192.55	5.00	
27	Manitou	204.70	3.30	
28	Pentalpha	364.20		25.10
29	McCallum	166.35	0.10	
30	Huron	237.25		4.10
31	Prince Edward	231.65		5.60
32	Waterloo	287.95	12.45	
34	Signet	157.40		2.40
35	Keystone, Whitby	158.80		5.40
36	Corinthian	598.45	5.95	
37	Victoria, Port Hope	173.30		6.75
40	Guelph	245.15	102.05	
41	Harris	174.10	11.70	
44	Mount Sinai, Napanee	188.45	70.75	
45	Excelsior	96.00		3.55
46	St. James	107.40	2.40	
47	Wellington	167.95		
48	St. John's, Cobourg	108.45	3.80	
53	Bruce	85.40	80	
54	Palestine, St. Thomas	363.85	2.80	
55	Niagara	110.60		1.00
56	Georgian	96.10		7.60
57	King Hiram	181.55	1.20	
59	Sussex-St. Lawrence	332.55		3.33
61	Granite	184.30		1.60
62	York	185.10	78.70	
63	Havelock	116.35		4.00
64	Wilson	166.60		19.15
65	St. Paul's, Toronto	80.95		18.40
66	The Malloch	100.19		7.15
67	Enterprise	158.25	4.15	
68	Maitland	134.90	10.50	
69	Grimsby	109.55		0.45
71	Prince of Wales, Essex	188.75	85.20	
72	Keystone Stirling	107.40		13.60
73	Erie	195.64		18.10
74	Beaver, Strathroy	155.65	8.80	

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75	St. Clair, Milton	123.80	0.60	
76	Mount Nebo	103.20	8.95	
77	Occident	244.15	15.00	
78	Minnewawa	183.40		8.35
79	Orient	133.40		9.60
80	Ark	273.70		9.30
81	Aylmer	133.60		0.80
82	Shuniah	353.85	3.15	
83	Ionic, Orangeville	159.20	65.70	
84	Lebanon, Wingham	85.40		1.60
88	MacNabb	126.40	5.80	
90	Golden	305.25		43.80
91	Toronto-Antiquity	197.20	5.70	
94	Midland	166.05		10.45
95	Tuscan	562.30	31.97	
102	Algonquin	389.80	11.03	
103	St. John's, North Bay	258.90		3.65
104	White Oak	183.05		0.80
110	Warkworth	94.35	43.55	
112	St. John's, Morrisburg	65.60	65.80	
113	Covenant	319.00		3.80
114	Bonnechere	167.75		42.79
115	Brant	159.95		4.95
116	Maple	141.95	0.80	
117	Kitchener	267.60	15.30	
119	King Cyrus, Leamington	319.70		3.45
129	Elliott	139.90	4.70	
130	Chantry	108.10		0.80
131	Amabel	151.40	1.60	
132	Leeds	115.60	4.60	
133	St. Francis	327.35	12.40	
134	King Darius	89.70		1.10
135	Succoth	82.00		12.75
138	Shekinah	507.90		3.40
140	Fort William	187.20		21.55
143	Glengarry	117.90		13.25
144	Presqu'ile	49.20		41.60
145	The St. Patrick	90.30		88.50
146	Bernard	164.60	5.05	
147	Lucknow	55.20		7.75
148	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	94.95	1.00	
149	Atwood	68.60		0.80
150	London	151.40		7.20
151	Laurentian	257.10	22.00	
152	Alberton	279.75		4.00
153	Sombra	138.35		6.65
155	Ancaster	139.90		3.50
161	Madoc	131.40		3.60
167	Kichikewana	207.40		14.10
168	Ionic, Campbellford	152.05		7.15
169	Temiskaming	85.60		58.45
175	The Hamilton	126.60		3.20
184	Hugh Murray	124.80	5.70	
195	Peel	312.95	5.60	
198	Couchiching	199.95	15.35	
205	Victoria, Thornhill	202.15	5.60	
210	Kitchener, Russell	116.45		3.30
212	Mount Sinai, Toronto	621.50		34.20

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213	Northern Lights	203.40	91.20	
214	Vimy	155.85	11.20	
215	Mimico	333.30		11.80
217	St. Alban's	172.50		3.95
218	Pr. Edward, Shelburne	82.95	5.10	
219	Ulster	58.50		49.60
220	Lebanon, Etobicoke	211.05		1.60
221	Durham	96.70	1.85	
222	Ottawa	458.50		111.75
223	Abitibi	92.00		2.80
224	Keystone, Hamilton	181.70	0.65	
225	Beaver	166.00	2.70	
226	Prince of Wales, Perth	256.10	1.60	
227	Quinte Friendship	402.10		25.00
230	Port Credit	185.05		8.80
231	St. Clair, Toronto	268.30	39.25	
232	King Cyrus, Toronto	165.15		32.81
233	Oakwood	121.45		1.40
234	Halton	261.55	1.40	
235	Aurora	168.65		4.15
236	Caledonia	48.80		34.80
238	The St. Andrew	316.69	1.60	
239	Blenheim	190.20	1.60	
240	Smithville	57.40	54.40	
241	University	101.95	0.80	
242	St. Paul's, Lambeth	112.75	52.80	
243	McKay	214.95	76.80	
245	Preston	150.30	6.50	
246	Humber	204.45		5.80
247	Nilestown	260.20		0.50
248	Dochert	140.60	0.60	
249	Palestine, Bowmanville	147.40		6.75
250	Thomas Peters	239.30		6.40
251	Kirkland	173.60	21.40	
252	Hiawatha	373.90		
253	Regal	56.80	57.60	
254	Golden Star	337.25		146.00
255	Tillsonburg	117.15		4.95
257	Espanola	163.75		3.80
258	Tyrian	103.60		5.20
259	Quetico	84.15		3.45
260	Centennial	150.60	12.15	
261	Seguin	81.15	1.95	
262	King David	129.75		
263	Scarborough	259.45		26.40
300-1	Alberta Grand Chapter	79.00	70.00	
300-5	Nova Scotia Grand Chapter	3.00	3.00	
300-4	New Brunswick Grand Chapter	193.00	28.25	
300-11	Education Committee		119.42	
300-3	Manitoba Grand Chapter	72.85		
300-6	Quebec Grand Chapter	70.70		
300-7	Saskatchewan Grand Chapter	477.85		
		31667.57	1530.47	1336.28

CASH RECEIPTS

For The Year Ended February 28th, 1973

Receipts from the Chapters	$31,015.54
Grand Convocation and Executive Committee Receipts	3,237.63
Interests on Investments	2,401.25
Receipts from other Grand Chapters	935.70
	$37,590.12

Examined and Verified

HAUER, SNIDER & ASSOCIATES

REMARKS OF GRAND SCRIBE E.

In this booklet I submit the summary of reports that you have sent into your Grand Chapter Office and also the state of the finances of your Grand Jurisdiction as shown in the Auditor's report.

I would remind you that Grand Chapter does not belong to a few elected officers, it belongs to you. You have selected, carefully or otherwise, these officers to manage your affairs of the Grand Jurisdiction and give you leadership. Their success in managing your affairs depends, to a great extent, on the co-operation they receive from you and give to you. It cannot be, if successful, a one-sided entity. In order to save time, costs and effort, it is necessary to receive reports within the stated time. Many of our Companions watch this very carefully and this is greatly appreciated.

Some of our Companions give much of their personal time serving on special committees and wherever they can assist throughout the Jurisdiction. Their efforts on your behalf should be noted and appreciated. In relation to the work in your Grand Chapter Office, I would personally wish to thank and name Ex. Comp. Herbert Powell, Ex. Comp. William Prentice, R. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull and V. Ex. Comp. Cliff Rich for their assistance in the office on various occasions. Their assistance has saved us money and helped get reports checked for printing.

There has been an improvement in the timing of requests for certificates and generally these are not now left until the end of the year. The request for a certificate should reach our office within 30 days of the Holy Royal Arch Degree. We have attempted to have these back to you at an early date for presentation to our new Companion.

I have enjoyed working under our Grand Z, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, this year. His leadership and direction given for the good of the Grand Jurisdiction has made the office work most interesting although quite strenuous. Members of the Advisory Committee have been most helpful in their advice. Our Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Wright, has become quite conversant with many phases of the office procedure. She is very pleasant to work with and to meet those who come into the office. We are fortunate to have such assistance at the office level.

May we enter the 1973'-74 year ready for that which comes our way and may we Companions stimulate those around us to achieve much success for the Grand Jurisdiction.

Fraternally yours,

R. Ex. Comp. Frederick C. Conley

Grand Scribe E.

No.	Name of Chapter	Where Held	Regular Convocation	First Principal For Year 1973	Scribe E. For Year 1973	Membership 31 Dec., 1971	Admissions	Affiliations	Restorations	Withdrawals	Suspensions	Deaths	Membership 31 Dec., 1972	Commuted 31 Dec., 1972	Increase	Decrease
1.	Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui,	Kingston	3rd Fri.	C. M. Peters	R. H. Seymour	225	6	1	—	2	—	11	223	59	—	2
2.	The Hiram,	Hamilton	3rd Fri.	William Guy	W. J. Curtis	157	3	—	—	1	3	3	153	37	—	4
3.	St. John's,	London	4th Wed.	J. P. Smuck	Wm. H. Parker	134	—	1	—	1	4	3	127	33	—	7
4.	The St. Andrew & St. John,	Toronto	1st Mon.	J. C. Lyttle	Keith L. Bellamy	106	2	1	—	2	2	2	103	23	—	3
5.	St. George's,	London	4th Fri.	J. H. Jackson	Malcolm McRae	177	7	—	—	—	—	8	176	77	—	1
6.	St. John's,	Hamilton	2nd Thurs.	H. D. House	Fred Scott	120	9	1	—	1	3	9	117	19	—	3
7.	The Moira,	Belleville	1st Tues.	F. R. Rodgers	S. H. Lennox	210	4	1	—	1	—	4	210	35	—	0
8.	King Solomon's,	Toronto	4th Thurs.	William Dobinson	Ernest R. Ansell	218	4	1	—	2	1	9	211	31	—	7
15.	Wawanosh,	Sarnia	2nd Fri.	R. J. Gabriel	H. R. Marriott	151	7	—	—	—	—	4	154	22	3	—
16.	Carleton,	Ottawa	3rd Wed.	Henry Loewen	Stuart Gilmour	464	7	—	—	7	4	5	455	68	—	9
18.	Oxford,	Woodstock	4th Fri.	A. H. Young	H. P. Deans	178	7	1	—	2	—	7	177	15	—	1
19.	Mount Moriah,	St. Catharines	2nd Fri.	H. D. Gray	Wm. S. Coolin	207	4	1	—	1	—	5	206	25	—	1
20.	Mount Horeb,	Brantford	3rd Thurs.	J. A. Hetherington	Arthur W. Cox	80	1	1	—	—	—	3	79	37	—	1
22.	Grenville,	Prescott	2nd Tues.	L. O. Walker	G. R. Drummond	67	1	—	—	—	—	—	64	4	—	3
23.	Ezra,	Simcoe	2nd Thurs.	J. W. Moore	W. J. Thompson	114	1	1	—	2	3	3	108	19	—	6
24.	Tecumseh,	Stratford	4th Fri.	S. C. Wendland	C. Swanston	204	2	1	—	—	4	3	200	22	—	4
26.	St. Mark's,	Trenton	3rd Tues.	D. Hendricks	Fred Bowman	122	4	—	—	2	2	3	109	10	—	3
27.	Manitou,	Collingwood	4th Wed.	A. G. Stewart	B. M. Conron	114	3	1	—	3	1	1	113	16	—	1
28.	Pentalpha,	Oshawa	1st Tues.	F. Manos	Floyd T. Fowler	231	5	—	—	4	3	7	222	20	—	9
29.	McCallum,	Dunnville	3rd Mon.	John Livingstone	Eric Stabler	98	—	—	—	2	—	5	91	2	—	7
30.	Huron,	Goderich	3rd Tues.	Wm. M. Cameron	Wm. G. Treble	131	—	1	—	—	—	3	129	7	—	2
31.	Prince Edward,	Picton	3rd Mon.	Marcus Pope	F. R. Greatrix Jr.	145	3	—	—	1	—	2	145	5	—	0
32.	Waterloo,	Galt	4th Thurs.	D. O. Bowie	Gordon J. Johnson	152	6	—	—	—	—	2	156	6	4	
34.	Signet,	Barrie	2nd Tues.	H. Dean	J. M. Lindsay	128	1	—	—	1	2	6	120	25	—	8
35.	Keystone,	Whitby	2nd Mon.	J. Gordon Young	T. R. Tompkins	75	3	2	1	1	—	3	77	5	2	
36.	Corinthian,	Peterborough	4th Wed.	R. R. Dyer	E. P. Friesen	368	7	1	1	6	3	7	361	13	—	7
37.	Victoria,	Port Hope	1st Wed.	G. E. Morgan	W. H. Meldrum	110	1	—	—	0	—	3	108	17	—	2
40.	Guelph,	Guelph	2nd Fri.	J. A. Cherry	W. H. Quant	169	4	1	1	0	—	3	172	38	3	
41.	Harris,	Ingersoll	4th Mon.	J. C. Piper	J. C. Ferguson	92	2	—	—	2	—	1	91	7	—	1
44.	Mount Sinai,	Napanee	3rd Wed.	N. A. Robertson	J. P. MacLean	105	2	1	—	1	2	4	101	7	—	4
45.	Excelsior,	Colborne	1st Mon.	Ed Mulhall	D. D. M. Peebles	52	2	—	—	—	—	—	54	0	2	
46.	St. James,	St. Marys	2nd Mon.	William McKay	G. W. Kelly	66	4	—	—	1	—	—	69	12	3	

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47.	Wellington,	Chatham	2nd Thurs.	Roy Stubble	H. D. Paulucci	99	2	—	—	—	1	1	99	4	—	—
48.	St. John's,	Cobourg	4th Tues.	Irving Goheen	W. F. Thompson	39	—	2	2	—	2	1	40	3	1	—
53.	Bruce,	Petrolia	3rd Wed.	Roy W. Skene	Robert M. Story	47	3	1	—	1	—	2	48	6	1	—
54.	Palestine, St.	Thomas	2nd Thurs.	J. W. Swindells	K. S. Woodward	291	9	—	—	4	—	13	283	84	—	8
55.	Niagara, Niagara-on-the-Lake		2nd Wed.	David Weaver	E. W. Aldridge	72	4	—	—	2	—	6	68	0	—	4
56.	Georgian,	Owen Sound	3rd Tues.	Frank Binns	W. D. Laycock	81	1	—	—	1	1	5	75	19	—	6
57.	King Hiram,	Port Colborne	1st Thurs.	G. Clifford	L. L. Doan	112	2	—	—	—	2	1	111	7	—	1
59.	Sussex-St. Lawrence,	Brockville	1st Mon.	G. B. Carley	J. G. Ruston	229	1	—	—	2	4	2	222	33	—	7
61.	Granite,	Almonte	2nd Thurs.	S. Graham Hudson	Robert A. Young	75	4	—	—	1	—	3	75	3	—	—
62.	York,	Toronto	2nd Fri.	J. W. Pearce	J. S. Shield	117	2	—	—	—	—	2	117	19	—	—
63.	Havelock,	Kincardine	3rd Wed.	George Downey	L. A. Moore	67	2	—	1	1	1	1	67	3	—	—
64.	Willson,	Welland	1st Wed.	R. L. Pearson	J. C. L. McKeand	86	7	—	—	2	1	4	86	3	—	—
65.	St. Paul's,	Toronto			Alfred Olley	60	—	—	—	2	—	2	56	5	—	4
66.	The Malloch,	Seaforth	3rd Mon.	Ross Kercher	J. C. Britton	65	2	1	—	1	5	1	61	2	—	4
67.	Enterprise,	Palmerston	2nd Tues.	Richard Holder	L. E. Morphy	81	—	—	—	—	—	4	77	1	—	4
68.	Maitland,	Kemptville	2nd Thurs.	G. Vanden Vaart	Gideon J. J. Purcell	87	1	1	—	3	—	3	83	4	—	4
69.	Grimsby,	Grimsby	1st Mon.	D. B. Lamont	W. Fairbrother	71	—	—	—	1	—	3	67	1	—	4
71.	Prince of Wales,	Essex	2nd Thurs.	Robert Leniuk	R. Chas. Brushett	113	4	—	1	—	3	1	114	1	1	—
72.	Keystone,	Stirling	1st Thurs.	D. A. Fargey	Lindsay Sills	73	2	—	—	—	—	3	72	7	—	1
73.	Erie,	Ridgetown	3rd Mon.	M. H. Snobelen	James C. Lyttle	111	5	1	—	—	—	3	114	6	3	—
74.	Beaver,	Strathroy	1st Mon.	William Bossons	M. E. Gare	93	4	—	—	1	1	—	95	14	2	—
75.	St. Clair,	Milton	3rd Thurs.	Percy Barr	Cliff G. Lewington	78	—	—	—	2	—	1	75	1	—	3
76.	Mount Nebo,	Niagara Falls	3rd Fri.	R. Birrell	Norman Farrington	84	1	—	—	3	—	—	82	51	—	2
77.	Occident,	Leaside	2nd Mon.	C. J. Shibley	G. C. H. Avery	145	2	—	2	3	5	1	140	25	—	5
78.	Minnewawa,	Parkhill	3rd Mon.	Harley Jamieson	Charles J. Fox	106	2	—	—	—	—	—	108	8	2	—
79.	Orient,	Toronto	4th Wed.	Victor J. Usher	R. MacDonald	68	6	—	1	1	2	1	71	5	3	—
80.	Ark,	Windsor	1st Mon.	Robert Colledge	Clarence W. Flett	243	1	—	—	1	—	8	235	60	—	8
81.	Aylmer,	Aylmer	1st Thurs.	Herbert R. Knight	Roy Sinden	80	1	—	1	—	4	—	78	11	—	2
82.	Shuniah,	Port Arthur	3rd Wed.	A. G. Morgan	W. H. Cheetham	234	3	1	—	—	2	9	227	19	—	7
83.	Ionic,	Orangeville	4th Tues.	H. M. Brown	W. A. Jackson	89	1	—	—	3	—	2	85	2	—	4
84.	Lebanon,	Wingham	3rd Tues.	James Mair	J. McLean	60	1	—	—	—	—	—	61	9	1	—
88.	MacNabb,	Dresden	4th Tues.	H. D. Martin	G. E. H. Brandon	74	2	—	—	2	—	2	72	2	—	2

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90.	Golden, Kenora		4th Wed.	M. B. Ormiston	D. J. Argent	154	—	1	1	—	2	4	150	5	—	4
91.	Toronto-Antiquity, Toronto		4th Fri.	R. M. Blake	Herbert W. Powell	123	3	1	—	—	2	4	121	20	—	2
94.	Midland, Lindsay		3rd Thurs.	S. E. Tripp	Ivan B. Brown	85	6	1	—	2	—	3	87	18	2	—
95.	Tuscan, Sudbury		3rd Thurs.	R. Hamalainen	W. B. Walker	339	10	1	1	9	3	7	331	15	—	8
102.	Algonquin, Sault Ste. Marie		2nd Fri.	Edgar J. Edgar	E. C. Price	234	14	1	1	3	2	6	239	13	5	—
103.	St. John's North Bay		1st Thurs.	A. W. Cant	Arthur J. Scott	134	4	1	—	2	—	4	133	12	—	1
104.	White Oak, Oakville		2nd Tues.	J. V. Baker	S. R. Amos	108	3	1	—	2	8	—	102	2	—	6
110.	Warkworth, Warkworth		2nd Wed.	David Trotter	Wm. G. Taylor	51	2	—	—	—	—	3	50	0	—	1
112.	St. John's, Morrisburg		3rd Mon.	F. G. Devaul	G. W. Thom	75	1	—	—	2	—	4	70	5	—	5
113.	Covenant, Cornwall		3rd Wed.	William Vipond	R. A. Young	210	5	—	—	3	2	6	204	20	—	6
114.	Bonnechere, Renfrew		3rd Mon.	K. E. McIntyre	Harold Skinner	104	1	—	—	1	—	3	101	5	—	3
115.	Brant, Paris		3rd Mon.	Wm. Thompson	Ben Duncan	63	2	1	—	2	—	5	59	15	—	4
116.	Maple, Carleton Place		1st Wed.	James E. Cassibo	M. P. Morris	92	2	—	—	—	—	—	94	12	2	—
117.	Kitchener, Kitchener		1st Thurs.	H. W. Rothaermel	Frank L. Barrett	142	8	1	—	9	—	5	137	9	—	5
119.	King Cyrus, Leamington		2nd Wed.	Joe Bradley	Donald A. Robinson	142	3	—	—	1	2	4	138	27	—	4
129.	Elliot, Mitchell		1st Tues.	Hugh McGugan	Wm. H. Cheoros	82	5	—	—	1	—	—	86	5	4	—
130.	Chantry, Southampton		1st Tues.	C. D. McGillvray	W. H. Morrow	62	1	—	—	1	—	1	61	5	—	1
131.	Amabel, Wiarton		Last Tues.	A. E. Hardman	O. B. Grieg	97	1	1	—	1	—	2	96	3	—	1
132.	Leeds, Gananoque		4th Tues.	Harry Trueman	A. L. Wheeler	76	—	—	—	1	1	1	73	7	—	3
133.	St. Francis, Smiths Falls		3rd Thurs.	N. B. Orr	C. A. Bailey	186	4	—	—	3	—	4	183	1	—	3
134.	King Darius, Cannington		3rd Wed.	Clausen White	R. Bivens	54	1	—	—	1	—	1	53	0	—	1
135.	Succoth, Uxbridge		2nd Thurs.	Douglas Parratt	Harry V. Watson	57	1	—	—	1	—	2	55	7	—	2
138.	Shekinah, Toronto		2nd Tues.	Ervine R. Wood	B. W. Spencer	299	10	—	—	2	4	8	295	41	—	4
140.	Fort William, Fort William		1st Mon.	A. F. Carew	Wm. S. Shaver	120	1	—	—	2	9	2	108	3	—	12
143.	Glengarry, Maxville		4th Mon.	W. D. Wiseman	R. F. McRae	69	—	—	—	1	—	5	63	1	—	6
144.	Presqu'ile, Brighton		3rd Tues.	Norman Roberts	F. M. Lindsey	50	3	—	—	—	—	2	51	1	1	—
145.	The St. Patrick, Thornhill		3rd Tues.	L. G. T. Taylor	M. B. Henderson	192	3	—	1	1	3	7	185	81	—	7
146.	Bernard, Listowel		1st Tues.	Bruce Steenson	Bert Hastings	99	2	—	—	1	—	3	97	2	—	2
147.	Lucknow, Lucknow		2nd Tues.	James Mathers	G. Montgomery	69	1	—	1	1	0	3	67	0	—	2
148.	St. John's, Vankleek Hill		4th Thurs.	M. J. McLeod	Leon G. Harcourt	57	—	—	—	—	—	—	57	0	—	—
149.	Atwood, Rainy River		2nd Thurs.	A. W. Martinson	W. B. Warner	39	—	—	—	—	—	1	38	0	—	1
150.	London, London		3rd Tues.	G. J. Scholz	Bloss E. Doupe	121	5	—	—	—	—	4	122	42	1	—
151.	Laurentian, Pembroke		3rd Thurs.	F. A. Simpson	L. A. Schultz	161	2	—	—	10	7	1	145	2	—	16
152.	Alberton, Fort Frances		2nd Tues.	E. A. Pearson	E. A. Langstaff	151	11	—	—	—	—	4	158	1	7	—
153.	Sombra, Wallaceburg		1st Mon.	G. R. Eagleson	Geo. A. Lauzon	85	2	—	—	5	—	3	79	1	—	6

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155.	Ancaster,	Ancaster	3rd Tues.	J. B. Calder	George A. Penny	90	—	—	—	2	2	2	84	1	—	6
161.	Madoc,	Madoc	4th Mon.	V. McMurray	D. Kernohan	92	—	—	—	1	—	3	88	10	—	4
167.	Kichikewana,	Midland	2nd Mon.	George Hofmann	K. E. Morrison	148	3	1	—	4	3	2	143	21	—	5
168.	Ionic,	Campbellford	3rd Mon.	George Burnett	Francis W. Long	115	2	—	1	3	1	3	111	28	—	4
169.	Temiskaming,	Haileybury	2nd Thurs.	James E. Sutton	T. L. MacDougall	58	—	2	—	—	—	5	55	5	—	3
175.	The Hamilton,	Hamilton	3rd Tues.	D. A. Rogers	Bruce D. Burt	88	—	—	—	2	—	1	85	11	—	3
184.	Hugh Murray,	Fort Erie	2nd Tues.	W. D. Cole	Wm. Rostron	73	1	—	—	—	—	2	72	0	—	1
195.	Peel,	Brampton	1st Tues.	J. Post	C. Fred Kline	168	13	1	—	7	1	2	172	14	4	—
198.	Couchiching,	Orillia	2nd Fri.	L. W. Johnston	George H. Cooke	118	1	1	—	3	4	5	108	2	—	10
205.	Victoria,	Thornhill	1st Wed.	Bruce Stewart	G. J. Hall	100	3	—	—	1	1	1	100	13	—	—
210.	Kitchener,	Russell	1st Wed.	J. A. Dunbar	Wendell M. Stanley	73	2	—	—	—	—	1	74	6	1	—
212.	Mount Sinai,	Leaside	1st Tues.	Jack Ross	Irving M. Ingles	396	9	1	—	5	2	3	396	16	—	—
213.	Northern Lights,	Timmins	3rd Wed.	E. Minard	W. L. Hamilton	129	4	2	—	—	—	3	132	24	3	—
214.	Vimy,	Inwood	2nd Mon.	Cameron Park	Samuel J. Mitchell	63	7	—	—	—	—	—	70	12	7	—
215.	Mimico,	Toronto	1st Wed.	Gordon H. Stuart	D. J. Campbell	157	9	5	—	5	6	3	157	25	—	—
217.	St. Albans,	Thornhill	4th Fri.	William Davies	W. John Webber	97	5	—	—	—	—	4	98	13	1	—
218.	Prince Edward,	Shelburne	2nd Thurs.	H. R. Stewart	J. Alex Mawdsley	45	—	1	—	—	—	—	46	0	1	—
219.	Ulster,	Toronto	4th Wed.	George Hinchcliff	E. (Ted) Conyers	63	1	4	—	—	—	1	67	13	4	—
220.	Lebanon,	Etobicoke	3rd Wed.	Wm. Edward Beam	Wm. M. Creech	129	3	—	—	—	—	3	129	7	—	—
221.	Durham,	Durham	3rd Tues.	Norman Robinson	Kenneth M. Hooper	61	3	1	—	1	—	1	63	7	2	—
222.	Ottawa,	Ottawa	2nd Thurs.	A. Victor Williams	W. Earl Tuck	293	9	1	1	11	3	12	277	22	—	16
223.	Abitibi,	Iroquois Falls	Last Wed.	Ken. A. Halfyard	H. A. Jones	57	1	—	—	1	—	3	54	0	—	3
224.	Keystone,	Hamilton	1st Mon.	Maurice Moss	William Hayes	91	3	—	—	1	—	3	90	13	—	1
225.	Beaver,	Toronto	2nd Wed.	Jackson Bernard	Harry C. May											
226.	Prince of Wales,	Perth	4th Tues.	Virgil Garrett	J. Howard Gibbs	137	7	1	—	—	—	2	143	1	6	—
227.	Quinte Friendship,	Belleville	2nd Mon.	C. A. Falkner	Fred H. Catton	255	3	1	—	3	4	10	242	35	0	13
230.	Port Credit,	Port Credit	4th Tues.	Ernest F. Maltby	John I. Parke	91	4	—	1	1	—	3	92	7	1	—
231.	The St. Clair,	Toronto	2nd Thurs.	Thomas W. Carter	Albert W. Johnson	179	2	—	—	1	2	2	176	14	—	3
232.	King Cyrus,	Toronto	3rd Wed.	Eric R. Chaperlin	A. S. Currie	102	1	—	1	—	—	2	102	3	—	—
233.	Oakwood,	Toronto	3rd Tues.	Leonard M. Smith	R. A. Dunlop	78	1	1	—	2	3	2	73	4	—	5
234.	Halton,	Georgetown	3rd Wed.	Earl Johnson	Irwin G. Noble	120	6	—	—	1	—	3	122	1	2	—
235.	Aurora,	Aurora	4th Tues.	Gordon Achilles	John Hepple	104	3	2	—	4	—	5	101	6	—	3

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236.	Caledonia,	Caledonia	4th Thurs.	Louis Leousis	Chas. K. Matteson	58	—	—	—	—	—	1	57	1	—	1
238.	The St. Andrew,	London	4th Thurs.	Freeman McLeod	D. H. Thomson	141	11	—	—	—	2	4	146	35	5	—
239.	Blenheim,	Blenheim	1st Wed.	Gerald Blake Hope	L. F. Guyett	88	4	—	—	—	—	—	92	4	4	—
240.	Smithville,	Smithville	4th Mon.	L. T. Richardson	L. T. Vail	29	1	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	1	—
241.	University,	Thornhill	1st Tues.	W. M. Prentice	O. R. Roberts	73	1	—	—	1	1	2	70	13	—	3
242.	St. Paul's,	Lambeth	1st Tues.	J. Bernard Hann	W. B. Chalcraft	67	2	—	—	—	—	1	68	2	1	—
243.	McKay,	Stoney Creek	2nd Wed.	Wilfred J. Devney	Norman Pratt	86	11	2	—	1	2	1	95	5	9	—
245.	Preston,	Preston	4th Tues.	R. Wright	A. J. Harriman	62	2	—	—	1	1	2	60	7	—	2
246.	Humber,	Weston	3rd Fri.	J. A. Gravelle	Geo. J. Reed	139	1	2	—	3	—	4	135	20	—	4
247.	Nilestown,	Nilestown	3rd Thurs.	James Bendall	G. M. Kirkpatrick	154	2	—	1	—	—	2	155	2	1	—
248.	Dochert,	Arnprior	1st Mon.	Walter Reed	Lindon Jump	53	3	—	—	—	—	1	55	1	2	—
249.	Palestine,	Bowmanville	3rd Mon.	S. J. Lancaster	H. G. Freeman	88	—	1	—	1	—	2	86	2	—	2
250.	Thomas Peter's,	Windsor	2nd Wed.	J. Robert Hodgins	Allan Leal	229	6	1	—	1	9	3	223	89	—	6
251.	Kirkland,	Kirkland Lake	4th Wed.	J. White	H. G. Fick	101	2	—	—	—	2	1	100	6	—	1
252.	Hiawatha,	Sarnia	1st Mon.	John A. Thompson	Emmett Mann	219	4	—	—	3	5	4	215	65	—	4
253.	Regal,	Port Dover	3rd Wed.			76								1		
254.	Golden Star,	Dryden	3rd Mon.	H. S. McMaster	R. C. Jackson	188	7	1	2	—	2	3	193	2	5	—
255.	Tillsonburg,	Tillsonburg	3rd Tues.	Jack Allen Petrie	R. Wittet	109	5	—	—	—	7	2	105	34	—	4
257.	Espanola,	Espanola	3rd Tues.	Henry W. Chicholm	A. H. Wood	96	4	—	—	—	—	4	96	1	—	—
258.	Tyrian,	Stouffville	1st Thurs.	Lance Willis	C. B. White	59	5	—	—	—	—	1	63	1	4	—
259.	Quetico,	Atikokan	Last Mon.	Earle V. McInnis	E. I. Swanbergson	55	1	—	—	1	—	1	54	1	—	1
260.	Centennial,	Streetsville	4th Mon.	Leslie J. Peer	V. W. Newman	64	7	3	1	1	1	1	67	5	8	—
261.	Seguin,	Parry Sound	1st Wed.	Stanley Tonkin	J. E. Simms	43	1	—	—	—	—	1	44	—	—	1
262.	King David,	Burlington	4th Mon.	John G. Robbins	Henry G. Edgar	60	4	—	—	3	—	—	61	1	—	1
263.	The Scarborough,	Scarborough	1st Tues.	A. R. Davidson	A. Hutton	144	8	—	—	5	9	3	135	—	—	9
						18 723	500	70	24	231	189	459	18310	2147	125	410

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, 1972-73.

Your committee reports the following investments:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Hydro Electric Power Comm. 4% July 15th 1974	$ 6,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Comm. 3½% Oct. 15th 1979	28,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½% Sept. 1st 1983	17,500.00
TOTAL	$51,500.00

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 7½% June 14th 1976	$ 8,000.00
Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 8% July 15th 1976	1,000.00
Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 8%, Aug. 15th 1976	21,000.00
Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 8%, Nov. 1st 1976	6,500.00
Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 8%, Nov. 27th 1976	2,000.00
Canada Permanent Mortg. Corp. 7% Jan. 9th 1977	3,000.00
Royal Trust Co., 7½% Nov. 30th 1976	3,000.00
National Trust Co. Ltd., 8½%, Nov. 16th 1975	9,000.00
Province of Ontario 3%, Oct. 15th 1977	1,000.00
Hydro Elec. Power Comm. 3½%, Oct. 18th 1979	2,000.00
Dominion of Canada 4½%, Sept. 1st 1983	11,700.00
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Certificates (9) 7%, Mar. 1st 1978	9,500,00
TOTAL	$77,700.00

NON CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

Metropolitan Toronto, 3½% May 2nd 1975	$ 3,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%, Oct. 15th 1977	4,000.00
TOTAL	$ 7,000.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%, May 2nd 1975	$22,000.00
Can. Imperial Bank of Commerce Certificates (5) 7%, Mar. 1st, 1978	5,000.00
TOTAL	$27,000.00

THE BURSARY FUND

State of Israel Savings Bonds, Dec. 1, 1976 (face value)	$ 300.00
Province of Ontario, 3% Oct. 15th 1977	7,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 7, 8, 8¼%, Nov. 1st 1978	5,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1st 1983	3,300.00
Can. Imperial Bank of Commerce Certificates (2), 7%, Mar. 1st 1978	2,000.00
TOTAL	$17,600.00

It is still the feeling of your Chairman, supported, I hope, by the other members of the committee, that short term Trust Company securities are still the best investment that we can make at the present time. You will note that additional funds have been invested in the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, the Life-Membership Fund and the Bursary Fund, indicating an improvement in the financial standing of these several accounts. Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce certificates were purchased, at a lower rate of interest, because it was felt that this money might be required in the operation of the funds before the maturity date.

No other changes occurred in the Investment portfolio during the past year.

I acknowledge with grateful thanks the assistance and co-operation of Rt. Ex. Comp. Wm. S. Thomson, Rt. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson, the Grand First Principal and the Grand Scribe E.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED SCOTT

Chairman.

AUDITOR'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Most Excellent Companion, L. J. Gent, Q.C., B.A., Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, Suite 205, 240 Eglinton Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir,

We have examined the books of account and supporting records of the Grand Scribe E of Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario for the year ended February 28, 1973 and have prepared the Financial Statements listed below.

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet as at February 28, 1973.
Exhibit "B"—Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account for the year ended February 28, 1973.
Exhibit "C"—The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund as at February 28, 1973.
Exhibit "D"—The Commuted Membership Fund—Grand Chapter as at February 28, 1973.
Exhibit "E"—The Chapters' Life Membership Fund as at February 28, 1973.
Exhibit "F"—The Bursary Fund as at February 28, 1973.

COMMENTS

Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Cash on hand was counted and found to be in order.

The several bank accounts were verified and all banking transactions for the year were examined in detail for the several funds.

We recommend that balance due from the Bursary Fund and the Commuted Membership Fund be transferred to the General Account as soon as possible.

The Accounts Receivable Chapters' was reviewed in detail and the balance of $194.19 is made up of Accounts Receivable, $1,530.47, less deferred payments received from Chapters in advance, $1,336.28.

The list of inventories of Supplies for Resale and Jewels was furnished to us by the Grand Scribe E. Our examination consisted of checking the arithmetical accuracy of the pricing times the items shown thereon.

The investments of the several Funds as presented in the attached Financial Statements are held in a safe deposit box at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Eglinton and Mount Pleasant Branch. We attended at the Bank on March 5, 1973 with two of the custodians and found all investments to be in order.

In our opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet, Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account and related Statements of Funds present fairly the financial position of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 28, 1973 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistant with that of the preceding year.

HAUER, SNIDER & ASSOCIATES,
Chartered Accountants.

Toronto, Ontario.
March 22, 1973.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT FEBRUARY 28, 1973

Exhibit "A"

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash on Hand		$ 50.00	
Cash in Bank:			
Imprest Fund		498.88	
General Fund		5,857.11	
Accounts Receivable—Chapters		194.19	
Prepaid Insurance		57.00	
Accrued Interest on Investments		390.00	
Due from Bursary Fund		420.05	
Due from Commuted Membership Fund		1,183.85	$ 8,651.08
Inventories:			
Jewels		844.15	2,763.80
Supplies for Resale		1,919.65	
INVESTMENTS:			
H.E.P.C. of Ontario—4%—July 15, 1974		6,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario—3½%—October 15, 1974		28,000.00	
Government of Canada—4½%—Sept. 1, 1983		17,500.00	
		51,500.00	
Less: Unamortized Discount		3.93	51,496.07
FIXED ASSETS:			
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (Cost)	14,608.53		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	14,594.64	13.89	
Grand Chapter Library		250.00	
Grand Chapter Regalia		75.00	338.89
SPECIAL FUND:			
The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund		87,107.60	
The Commuted Membership Fund		28,613.15	
The Chapters' Life Membership Fund		73.13	
The Bursary Fund		19,262.60	135,056.48
			$198,306.32

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accrued Employees Deductions		221.70
Reserve for Special Funds		135,056.48
GENERAL RESERVE:		
Balance—February 29, 1972	64,980.78	
Less: Excess of Expenditures over Revenue	1,952.64	63,028.14
		$198,306.32

Exhibit "B"

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

For The Year Ended February 28, 1973

REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue	Actual Revenue	Balance Over or (Under)
Fees	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,678.60	$ (21.40)
Dues—Per Capita	27,200.00	26,523.16	(676.84)
Dues—Life Memberships	1,600.00	1,895.65	295.65
Dispensations and Warrants	175.00	207.40	32.40
Sale of Supplies	2,000.00	1,905.65	(94.35)
Interest on Investments	2,025.00	2,002.52	(22.48)
TOTAL REVENUE	34,700.00	34,212.98	(487.02)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	35,300.00	36,165.62	865.62
ESTIMATED DEFICIT	$ 600.00		
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER REVENUE FOR THE YEAR		$1,952.64	$1,352.64

EXPENDITURE

	Estimated Expenditure	Actual Expenditures	Balance Over or (Under)
GRAND SCRIBE E:			
Compensation	$ 6,500.00	$ 6,491.06	(8.94)
Office Assistance	5,300.00	5,974.42	674.42
Rent	4,800.00	4,725.00	(75.00)
Miscellaneous (Telephone, Postage, etc.)	2,500.00	2,858.32	358.32
Canada Pension Plan	180.00	180.04	.04
Workmen's Compensation	20.00	23.20	3.20
Unemployment Insurance	200.00	147.14	(52.86)
	19,500.00	20,399.18	899.18
Foreign Correspondence	50.00		(50.00)
Audit	600.00	600.00	
PRINTING:			
Proceedings	2,500.00	1,936.98	(563.02)
General	750.00	1,399.25	649.25
	3,900.00	3,936.23	36.23
TRAVELLING:			
Grand Z	2,000.00	2,000.00	—
General	200.00	—	(200.00)
	2,200.00	2,000.00	(200.00)
EXPENSES:			
Convocations	2,800.00	4,399.73	1,599.73
Executive Committee	2,200.00	2,418.58	218.58
	5,000.00	6,818.31	1,818.31
OTHER:			
Liability and Bonding Insurance	850.00	673.02	(176.98)
Jewels and Engraving	1,100.00	642.37	(457.63)
Education and Instruction	200.00	107.70	(92.30)
Supplies for Resale	1,000.00	812.09	(187.91)
Publicity	600.00	—	(600.00)
Archives	300.00	170.00	(130.00)
	4,050.00	2,405.18	(1,644.82)
GRAND Z:			
Regalia	250.00	256.72	6.72
Testimonial	350.00	350.00	—
Regalia Repairs	50.00	—	(50.00)
	650.00	606.72	(43.28)
Total Expenditure	$35,300.00	$36,165.62	$865.62

Exhibit "C"

THE VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

As At February 28, 1973

Balance—March 1, 1972		
Capital	$67,443.22	
Unexpected Income	16,062.55	$83,505.77
Add		
Interest on Investments	5,106.89	
Amortization of Bond Discount	39.74	
Bank Interest	310.20	
Donations—F. W. Dean	100.00	5,556.83
		89,062.60
Deduct:		
Benevolence		1,955.00
Balance—February 28, 1973		
Capital	67,582.96	
Unexpended Income	19,524.64	$87,107.60

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	11,360.46	
Accrued Interest	750.00	12,110.46
INVESTMENTS:		
Non-Capital:		
Metropolitan Toronto—3½%—May 2, 1975	3,000.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—Oct. 15, 1975	4,000.00	7,000.00
Capital:		
National Trust—8½%—Nov. 16, 1975	9,000.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—7½%—June 4, 1976	8,000.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—8%—July 20, 1976	1,000.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—8%—August 15, 1976	21,000.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—8%—November 1, 1976	6,500.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—8%—November 27, 1976	2,000.00	
Royal Trust—7½%—Nov. 30, 1976	3,000.00	
Canada Permanent Mortgage—7%— January 9, 1977	3,000.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—Oct. 15, 1977	1,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario—3½%—Oct. 18, 1979	2,000.00	
Government of Canada—4½%— September 1, 1983	200.00	
Government of Canada—4½%—September 1, 1983	11,500.00	
	68,200.00	
Less:		
Unamortized Bond Discount	202.86	67,997.14
		$87,107.60

Exhibit "D"

THE COMMUTED MEMBERSHIP FUND—GRAND CHAPTER
As At February 28, 1973

Balance—March 1, 1972		$28,316.13
Add:		
Interest on Investments	$ 833.33	
Bank Interest	259.34	
Commuted Members and Honorary Memberships Issued	1,100.00	2,192.67
		30,508.80
Deduct:		
Commuted Membership dues		1,895.65
		$28,613.15

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS:		
Cash in Bank	7,557.00	
Accrued Interest	320.00	7,877.00
Investment:		
Metropolitan Toronto—3½%—May 2, 1975		22,000.00
		29,877.00
LIABILITIES:		
Due to General Fund	1,183.85	
Deposits received from Chapters re Honorary or Commuted Memberships to be accepted when provisions of the Constitution have been adhered to	80.00	1,263.85
		$28,613.15

Exhibit "E"

THE CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
As At February 28, 1973

Balance—March 1, 1972	$136.73
Add—Bank Interest	5.40
	142.13
Deduct—1971 and 1972 dues transferred to General Account for Credit to the Chapters' Account	69.00
	$ 73.13

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS:	
Cash in Bank	$73.13

THE BURSARY FUND

Exhibit "F"

As At February 28, 1973

Balance—March 1, 1972		$19,574.21
Add:		
Donations	$5,358.95	
Interest on Investments	596.58	
Bank Interest	122.86	6,078.39
		25,652.60
Deduct:		
Bursaries and Scholarships		$6,390.00
		$19,262.60

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash in Bank	2,778.85	
Accrued Interest	1,304.25	4,083.10
INVESTMENTS:		
State of Israel—December 1, 1976	300.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—October 15, 1977	7,000.00	
Government of Canada—7, 8, 8¼%—November 1, 1978	5,000.00	
Government of Canada—4½%—September 1, 1983	3,300.00	15,600.00
		19,683.10
LIABILITIES:		
Due to the General Fund		420.50
		$19,262.60

REPORT OF THE PRINTING AND SUPPLIES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

During the past year, liaison was maintained with the Grand SE as to printing costs. Quotations were obtained from several printing firms, whenever the need arose for forms, pamphlets, etc., in order to obtain the most economical cost. This information was made available to our Grand Z.

Your Committee on Printing and Supplies has received the expenditures for the year ending February 28th, 1973, and submits the following analysis in support thereof:

Printing Proceedings	$1,936.98
Printing General	1,399.25
	$3,336.23

It is respectfully requested that the following monies be placed at the disposal of the Printing and Supplies Committee for the fiscal year 1973-74:

Printing Proceedings		$2,200.00
Printing General		750.00
Printing for Resale		
Constitutions (1500)	$2,200.00	
Rituals (1500)	1,800.00	
		4,000.00
		$6,950.00

The estimated costs for 1973-'74 are in keeping with the general increase in printing costs. The budget for Printing for Resale is necessary due to the issuing of a revised Constitution and Ritual.

Fraternally submitted,
R. Ex. Comp. Samuel Tenenbaum, Chairman
R. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Samuel Tenenbaum, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Printing and Supplies Committee be received and adopted.

Carried.

Respectfully submitted with fraternal greetings,
R. Ex. Samuel Tenenbaum,
Chairman, Printing and Supplies Committee.

ALPHABETICAL ORDER OF CHAPTERS

No.	Name of Chapter	Dist. No.
223	Abitibi	16
152	Alberton	14
102	Algonquin	15
131	Amabel	9
155	Ancaster	5
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	12
80	Ark	1
149	Atwood	14
235	Aurora	8
81	Aylmer	2
74	Beaver, Strathroy	2
225	Beaver, Toronto	8
146	Bernard	6
239	Blenheim	1
114	Bonnechere	13
115	Brant	3
53	Bruce	2
236	Caledonia	5
16	Carleton	13
260	Centennial	8A
130	Chantry	9
36	Corinthian	10
113	Covenant	12
198	Couchiching	9
248	Dochert	13
221	Durham	4
129	Elliott	6
67	Enterprise	4
257	Espanola	15
73	Erie	1
45	Excelsior	10
23	Ezra	3
140	Fort William	14
56	Georgian	9
143	Glengarry	13
90	Golden	14
254	Golden Star	14
61	Granite	13
22	Grenville	12
69	Grimsby	7
40	Guelph	4
234	Halton	4
175	The Hamilton	5
41	Harris	3
63	Havelock	6
252	Hiawatha	2
2	The Hiram	5
184	Hugh Murray	7
246	Humber	8A
30	Huron	6
168	Ionic, Campbellford	10
83	Ionic, Orangeville	4
224	Keystone, Hamilton	5
72	Keystone, Stirling	11
35	Keystone, Whitby	10

No.	Name of Chapter	Dist. No.
167	Kichikewana	9
119	King Cyrus, Leamington	1
232	King Cyrus, Toronto	8A
134	King Darius	10
262	King David	5
57	King Hiram	7
8	King Solomon's	8
251	Kirkland	16
117	Kitchener	4
210	Kitchener, Russell	13
151	Laurentian	13
220	Lebanon, Etobicoke	8A
84	Lebanon, Wingham	6
132	Leeds	12
150	London	2
147	Lucknow	6
88	MacNabb	1
29	McCallum	7
243	McKay	5
161	Madoc	11
66	The Malloch	6
68	Maitland	12
27	Manitou	9
116	Maple	13
94	Midland	10
215	Mimico	8A
78	Minnewawa	2
7	The Moria	11
20	Mount Horeb	3
19	Mount Moriah	7
76	Mount Nebo	7
44	Mount Sinai, Napanee	11
212	Mount Sinai, Toronto	8A
55	Niagara	7
247	Nilestown	2
213	Northern Lights	16
233	Oakwood	8A
77	Occident	8A
79	Orient	8
222	Ottawa	13
18	Oxford	3
249	Palestine, Bowmanville	10
54	Palestine, St. Thomas	2
195	Peel	8A
28	Pentalpha	10
230	Port Credit	8A
144	Presqu'ile	11
245	Preston	4
31	Prince Edward	11
218	Prince Edward, Shelburne	4
71	Prince of Wales, Essex	1
226	Prince of Wales, Perth	13
259	Quetico	14
227	Quinte Friendship	11
253	Regal	3
217	St. Alban's	8

No.	Name of Chapter	Dist. No.	No.	Name of Chapter	Dist. No.
238	The St. Andrew	2	153	Sombra	1
4	St. Andrew & St. John	8	135	Succoth	8
75	St. Clair, Milton	5	59	Sussex-St. Lawrence	12
231	St. Clair, Toronto	8A	24	Tecumseh	6
133	St. Francis	13	169	Temiskaming	16
5	St. George's	2	250	Thomas Peters	1
46	St. James	6	255	Tillsonburg	3
48	St. John's, Cobourg	10	91	Toronto-Antiquity	8A
6	St. John's, Hamilton	5	95	Tuscan	15
3	St. John's, London	2	258	Tyrian	8
112	St. John's, Morrisburg	12	219	Ulster	8A
103	St. John's, North Bay	15	241	University	8
148	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	13	37	Victoria, Port Hope	10
26	St. Mark's	11	205	Victoria, Thornhill	8
145	St. Patrick	8	214	Vimy	2
242	St. Paul's, Lambeth	2	110	Warkworth	10
263	The Scarborough	8	32	Waterloo	4
261	Seguin	9	15	Wawanosh	2
138	Shekinah	8A	47	Wellington	1
82	Shuniah	14	104	White Oak	5
34	Signet	9	64	Willson	7
240	Smithville	7	62	York	8

REPORTS ON WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS
1972-73

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Warrants and Dispensations beg leave to report that there were no requests during the past year.

We do understand that a request will be forthcoming in the near future. This Committee will cheerfully accept its duties when called upon by the Grand First Principal.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,
RT. EX. COMP. DONALD ATTRIDGE,
RT. EX. COMP. WILLIAM H. CHEETHAM,
RT. EX. COMP. LESLIE C. EWENER,
RT. EX. COMP. WILLIAM H. SPROULE, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Wm. H. Sproule and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

To The Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

The principal effort of the Committee thus far has been the gathering, sorting and arranging of interesting Royal Arch news and information. This has formed the content of "The Keystone", which has been sent to every Grand Superintendent for distribution to Chapters, a copy for each Companion. We encourage each Chapter or Companion to send in items of interest for subsequent issues, and hope that sufficient sup-

port will be approved by Grand Chapter to permit its publication twice a year.

We are convinced that the knowledge from the Chapters in the province printed in the Keystone will give every Companion inspiration to send something worthwhile in for our Committee to print.

We hope that our Grand Chapter will find a place on their budget to endorse the Keystone for publication at least twice a year.

OLLIE FLINT,
DR. GEORGE TURNER,
GORDON BRABY,
GORDON HALE,
LESLIE EWENER,
SAM TENEBAUM,
LLOYD GILLESPIE,
ARTHUR HALEY,
WM. SPROULE,
EDWARD M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Edward M. Marshall and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Sproule and carried,

"That the Chapters of the Jurisdiction be requested to give a donation of $10.00 or more per year above their per capita fees to be placed in a Special Fund to defray the costs of the Keystone publication. This donation to be sent to the office of the Grand Scribe E."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Grand Chapter.

Most Excellent Sirs and Companions:

It is a distinct pleasure again to have the privilege of reporting that your Committee on Grievances and Appeals has had no cases of such brought to our attention so it is considered that peace, harmony and happiness prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction and in these troubled and upsetting times, this should be thought of as an auspicious happening.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted.

M. EX. COMP. JAMES GIRVEN,
R. EX. COMP. WILLIAM GUMMER,
R. EX. COMP. AUBE L. WEISMAN,
R. EX. COMP. MAARTEN VAN WAMELEN,
M. EX. COMP. BRUCE H. SMITH, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Grand Z. and Companions:

Your Committee on Benevolence has considered the Applications for Benevolence submitted by the various Chapters and recommend that Grants be authorized from the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund,

to the following, for the present Grand Chapter Year:—

Chapter	Grant in Favor of	Amount
8	Widow of Companion J. L.	$ 300.00
102	Companion M. S. D.	450.00
138	Widow of Companion W. N.	300.00
212	Widow of Companion L. D.	300.00
		$1,350.00

We further recommend that an amount of $800.00 be provided for Interim Relief, should it be needed before the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

The attention of all Chapters is directed to the "Rules Respecting Grants for Benevolence" as set forth in our Constitution. One of the basic Masonic Principles is the dispensing of "Relief and Assistance" in the case of need. The First Principal of every Chapter is charged with the responsibility of seeing that the requirements of the Constitution are adhered to, including the necessity of seeing that a new Application is in the hands of the Grand Scribe E. each year, not later than January 31st.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

M. EX. COMP. B. H. SMITH, P.G.Z.,
R. EX. COMP. F. C. ACKERT, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ackert and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON THE STUDY OF YOUTH, THE GAP, ETC.

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Grand Chapter.

The Committee on the Study of the Youth Gap wish to report that a thorough examination has been made with respect to the possibility of the Chapters assisting to bring about a means whereby we may join together the young people of today with us, the preceding generation.

Many were our suggestions, from the support of baseball teams to that oft repeated question what about Demolay.

A great deal of correspondence has been received regarding Demolay, the Chairman has met with many prominent Masons who have an active interest and take part in the work of this body, and with the young leaders of the movement itself both in the United States of America and in both countries explaining the formation of its Chapters and the in other provinces in Canada. We have been deluged with literature from Demolay in both countries explaining the formation of its Chapters and the work of the organization for which we are truly grateful. We would thank Bro. Birkett Lishman of Ottawa who has both met with and written Grand Lodge endeavouring to have the proscription lifted by the Grand body, for his letters informing us of his letters to Grand Lodge, the answers he received and the results of his visitations to Hamilton, also for his kind offer of assistance.

We would also thank the Grand Body of Demolay at Westminster, B.C., for their literature and advice, (should the day come when we would be in a position to start Demolay Chapters in Ontario permission must come from and be given by Westminster).

We understand that our Grand Lodge has had many meetings discussing the lifting of the proscription, however they feel that the time is not yet at hand when this should take place. We do believe that the virtue of patience must be practiced a little longer, Grand Lodge has not closed the door on this subject, and it may be opened quicker than we think, while waiting it behooves each one of us to prepare ourselves for

this important undertaking.

Many are those who suggest we should have Demolay but surprisingly not one Chapter has written your committee advising us that their Chapter would be willing to support a Chapter of Demolay when the time comes.

We sent out one letter suggesting that the Chapters on an off night, when there was no degree work to do, form the Companions into four or six groups, these groups to be sent to various parts of the temple, have a discussion on what the Chapter could do towards assisting to break down this youth gap and assist the young people. Upon conclusion of their discussion they would bring to their First Principal the findings of the group, which in turn would be assembled and sent to this committee.

The response was very disappointing, very few Chapters wrote back to us, one Chapter wrote us a letter in which they explained that although they could not support this endeavour at the present moment, they hoped that they could be kept informed about the work of this committee.

At present this Chapter is working hard trying to rebuild their Chapter to the healthy state it had been a few years ago. This they felt was their first interest, this we are in full agreement with. Other Chapters felt we should not be joining the service clubs by emulating their work, to this we agree. We also received letters telling us that the membership, particularly the Officers are loaded with obligations at present and had few evenings to themselves.

We agree with the answers received which we have reported here, however, we are disappointed with the lack of interest shown by many of our Chapters who evidently filed the letters and took no action. True, the active members of our Lodges and Chapters are very busy men, but what of the Members who do not turn out? Might this have been an opportunity to get them out, an opportunity to get them involved in the work of their community and their Chapter?

Your committee felt that these group meetings would have brought to light ways through which we could assist our youth in knowing us better and we in turn may come to understand the young people.

The Committee on the Youth Gap respectfully suggests to you, Most Excellent Sir and to Grand Chapter, that the findings of this findings of this committee be tabled for the present. Our Grand Chapter has obtained an excellent reputation for the efficient manner in which it has managed its affairs down through the years. We believe this should not be jeopardized by our entry into commitments we may fail to fulfill through the lack of enthusiasm among some of our members. This may be one of the reasons why our Grand Lodge in its wisdom has failed to lift its proscription.

Truly, we must be mindful that until our membership can feel a desire to organize and do the work which would be expected of them it would be better to delay entering into this field.

The reputation of our Fraternity, to a greater or lesser degree, is in the keeping of each member. It is within the power of every Royal Arch Mason to glorify or nullify the institution. The public never reads Masonic books or Masonic philosophy. Its idea of our Fraternity is not well defined, and the sole basis of judgment it falls back upon is the character and works of those who are supposed to exemplify its teachings. In taking on this project we must be willing to give of our time and our talents 100%.

We submit to you Most Excellent Sir this the report on Youth Gap.

M. EX. COMP. FRED W. D. WELHAM, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON DEDICATIONS, ANNIVERSARIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Your Committee on Dedications, Anniversaries and Community Services report that they have not been a very active committee during the past year. We can attribute this to the support the Chapters have received from their respective Grand Sueprintendents with regards to the work of this committee and to the fact that other committees were duplicating the work which was ours and for which we would express our thanks. This undoubtedly led to the smooth operation of the Chapters and districts as we received no requests for assistance. Your committee sent to all Chapters, Superintendents and members of Grand Chapters a set of diagrams pertaining to the entering and leaving churches with different seating arrangements that there may be a smooth movement of the members, also the proper protocol with respect to the seating.

This was followed up by letters containing instructions on proper protocol in the Chapter, and banquet hall, introduction of members of Grand Chapter, visitors, and proper proceedures to be followed at Dedications and Anniversaries. We trust that the information will continue to be used in the future, by this means we shall undoubtedly uphold the excellent reputation our Grand Chapter has obtained down through the years by many other bodies and jurisdictions.

This report is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

M. EX. COMP. FRED W. D. WELHAM, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF "THE WORK"

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

This is the report of a committee appointed by the Grand First Principal to look into the problem of the distribution of the official ritual entitled "The Work".

Let me first state that this phase of our activities is not covered in the Constitution at all.

The present practice is to limit the sale of these books to Principals, Scribes, Sojourners and Veilsmen. Formerly each Chapter was allowed to own five copies for loan to Companions as required, but this practice has been discontinued and, according to a letter from the Grand Scribe E., "No Chapter copies are now sent out".

The present Application Form states that the applicant agrees to receive "The Work" upon the following terms, to which he is required to promise strict adherence.

"That it shall be used solely for my own information and instruction, that I will not lend or transfer it to any individual whomsoever, nor

copy it or any portion of it, nor improprely expose it so that others may acquire knowledge of its existence and purport, nor leave it about in such a manner as to be seen by any unqualified person."

"That I will, at the expiration of my term of office in the Chapter, return the book to the Grand Scribe E., unless I shall have been advanced to the rank of Installed First Principal Z. and that on my death, permanent disability, or in the event of my severance from Royal Arch Masonry, "The Work" shall become the property of the Grand Chapter, and it shall be returned to the Grand Scribe E."

"All this I solemnly promise on my honour."

In this form we are asking people to sign a promise which very few of them can or do keep, i.e. That I will not lend or transfer it to any individual whomsoever.

That I will at the expiration of my term of office in the Chapter return the book to the Grand Scribe E. unless installed as Z.

That on my death, demit, or suspension "The Work" shall become the property of the Grand Chapter.

A check with the Grand Scribe E. indicates that few, if any, rituals are ever returned to the Grand Chapter office, and we all know that it is common practice to loan books to members who are asked to study portions of the ritual.

So first and foremost your committee suggests that the application form should be revised as follows, and that it should be included in the new Constitution.

APPLICATION FORM
'The Work"

I, ... a Royal Arch Mason

of ..... Chapter No. ..... at .....
hereby agree to receive 'The Work" upon the following terms, to which I solemnly promise strict adherence.

THAT it shall be used solely for my own information and instruction, that I will not copy it or any portion of it, nor improperly expose it so that others may acquire knowledge of its existence and purport, nor leave it about in such a manner as to be seen by an unqualified person.

THAT on my death, permanent disability, or in the event of my severance from Royal Arch Masonry, "The Work" shall become the property of the Royal Arch Chapter through which it was purchased, which Chapter shall have the power to dispose of it as they see fit according to Constitution.

ALL THIS I solemnly promise on my honour.

Signature .....

P.O. Address .....

Dated at .....

this ..... day of ....., 19.....

Witness .....Z. or P.Z.

NOTE: Please sign and return to the Scribe E. of your Chapter with $2.75. "The Work" will not be sent until this form is properly completed and approved.

It is the opinion of this committee that official rituals should be made available to every interested Royal Arch Mason who desires to purchase one. Failure to do this means that their only recourse is to borrow one from a Companion which, according to the promise given, is against the rules, or to purchase a "bootleg book", which does not always conform to the work in the official book, and which is readily available in many of the book stores or Bible Houses.

With respect to the five copies which each Chapter was at one time to own, we find that in most cases it is impossible for a Scribe E. to keep track of them and, over a period of time, most of them are lost.

It is high time that we updated some of our antiquated procedures and catch up with modern times. The existence of a ritual has long since ceased to be a secret, although we agree that it should be carefully guarded.

Acceptance of this report and the adoption of its recommendations will not only update our procedures and make our rituals available to worthy members, but will have a deterring effect on those people who are using this excuse to publish and sell "bootleg rituals" to anyone who might wish to buy one.

R. EX. COMP. FRED SCOTT, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and referred to the Committee on the Study of the Work, Chairman M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and the Committee on the Distribution of the Work, (Chairman, R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott) for further study.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF ASSISTANCE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companion:

It is an honor to submit a report on behalf of the Committee set up by the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, to assist Wilson District No. 3.

The Special Committee submits, herewith, its report to the Most Excellent Grand First Principal.

The Committee was created to give assistance to some Chapters experiencing difficulties, particularly in filling the chairs of office, and in Degree Work. With some guidance and their own efforts, the problems were resolved, installing boards arranged, and a Royal Arch Degree conferred. With such assistance being available, it is hoped that the Chapters will continue to serve the Masonic community.

It is recommended that Grand Chapter, as such, and all of its Officers in particular, should visit, encourage, and assist, by their presence, the smaller Chapters.

With a little help from the Committee during the year, I am sure the Chapters of Wilson District will be on the move in the right direction. It has been a pleasure to work with the Companions of Wilson District and I trust we can be of some assistance in the future.

It is the feeling of the Committee that Grand Chapter should get out into the smaller Chapters and give them the assistance they need. It is only by such assistance that we can expect to receive the respect of the Companions that we need to make Grand Chapter flourish.

RT. EX. COMP. JACK FERGUSON,
RT. EX. COMP. RUSSELL BROWN,
RT. EX. COMP. EDWARD MARSHALL,
V. EX. COMP. CARL JANTZI,
RT. EX. COMP. GORDON BRABY, Vice-Chairman.
RT. EX. COMP. HALLETT BANKS, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Hallett Banks and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

To the Most Ex. Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Ex. Sir and Companions:

As this Committee was appointed in the latter part of March, 1973, we have only commenced to do the ground work. This Committee will be composed of R. Ex. Comp. William Cheetham as vice-chairman, all Immediate Past and Present Grand Superintendents of the Northern Districts and myself, R. Ex. Comp. Arthur S. Haley, as chairman.

Our terms of reference would be:

(1) To see that the work of the various Committees of Grand Chapter is understood by the Chapters in the North.

(2) To assist in the successful growth of the Northern Chapters.

(3) To encourage every Chapter Member to be a citizen who will set an example of proper living for the community in which he lives.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

R. EX. COMP. ARTHUR S. HALEY, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Arthur S. Haley and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Archives Committee is deeply and sincerely grateful for the consideration, thought, and foresight of the Grand Chapter Members in presenting this committee with an allowance in the budget in order to commence the restoration of the records in the Grand Chapter Office.

Last year at this time, the Archives Committee made three suggestions or steps that were needed to improve the current situation in their division.

Progress has been made in two of these areas. In the first case, a portion of money was set aside to initiate the beginning of such a worthwhile project. The Committee received a sum of three hundred dollars — ($300.) — but since they were taught to be cautious they only spent one hundred and seventy dollars — ($170.) — of the above amount this year.

In the second case, the Archives Committee undertook real physical action to preserve some of the records in the Grand Chapter Office. We were able to repair the books containing the "Proceedings of the Grand Chapter — Royal Arch Masons of Canada from 1857 to 1924" to

a satisfactory condition.

A fire proof storage compartment for the present contents is still under deliberation. Since some of the information in this section is out-of-date and is not used, a few changes should take place. This unused material does not contain records of active Chapters but obsolete ones which have handed in their Charters and are dormant at the present time.

To restore and maintain additional records for the constituent Chapters and for the Grand Chapter Office, we should have a financial amount in our budget for this expense in the Archives Department this year.

May the Archives Committee continue to receive the benefit of your generosity and wisdom to complete in the restoration of the valuable records in the Grand Chapter Office.

This report of the Archives Committee is respectfully submitted to the Grand Chapter for their approval.

The Archives Committee is:

R. EX. COMP. FRED C. CONLEY,
R. EX. COMP. HAROLD INCE,
V. EX. COMP. EDGAR C. SHUNK, Chairman.

Moved by V. Ex. Comp. E. C. Shunk, and seconded by R. Ex. Comp F. C. Conley that the Report of the Archives Committee be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STUDY OF (THE WORK)

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on the Study of the WORK are pleased to present the following report:

Over the past 3½ years we have studied and reviewed the WORK and are now pleased to report, the Degrees of M.M.M., M.E.M. and H.R.A. have been rewritten and are now prepared in draft form.

In order that the Companions throughout the Jurisdiction may have an opportunity of seeing the proposed WORK carried out, and, that our Committee may have an opportunity of making any necessary changes, the following program is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

That a Committee or Committees be appointed by the Grand First Principal empowered to make the necessary arrangements to hold meetings throughout the Jurisdiction during the balance of this year and to work at these meetings the three Degrees.

That the Committee on the Study of the WORK have representation at these meetings and at the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter they present their recommendations for the WORK for reception and adoption.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

R. EX. COMP. MAARTEN VAN WAMELEN,
R. EX. COMP. DR. GEORGE TURNER,
R. EX. COMP. JACK FERGUSON,
V. EX. COMP. GORDON S. SLEIGHTHOLM,
R. EX. COMP. JAMES TURNBULL,
V. EX. COMP. LANCE MORRISON,
EX. COMP. WILLIAM PRENTICE,
M. EX. COMP. CHARLES EMMETT (Chairman)

BOOKLETS OF GRAND CHAPTER

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett pointed out to Grand Chapter that some of our booklets needed to be up-dated. The following pages in our booklets were referred to:

APRIL, 1973

Changes Required in the Manual for Chapter Officers

A. Page 11, first paragraph to be changed as follows:
Regular Convocations are called as provided for in the By-laws.

B. Page 17, change first paragraph under Installation as follows:
Installation is held at the first regular or an emergent meeting following election of officers.

Changes in Booklet of Ceremony of Dedication of a Chapter Room

Page 7, second paragraph, second line:
G.H. on his right, G.J. on his left.

C. **Booklet Opening, Closing, Installation**

Page 2, second paragraph after the Grand Council enter "G.Z. leading G.H. on right G.J. on left."

Page 27, Grand Registrar delete and replace as follows:
I.Z. ..... Ex. Comp ....., you have been elected Grand Registrar of this Grand Chapter and now I invest you with the collar and jewel of your office, a scroll on a pen within a triangle. It will be your duty to perform such duties as you may be called upon to perform by the Grand Z.

D. **Booklet of Installation**

—Have inserted on page 2 the following:

(1) No one beneath the rank of a First Principal may install or invest an officer.

(2) An officer being re-elected or appointed to succeed himself need not be installed or invested, only declared.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and carried—

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

OFFICE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Report of Office Organization Committee to the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on office organization met in August, 1972 and continued to review the work being carried on in Grand Chapter office with a view to further assisting and simplifying the procedures, and record keeping, in Grand Chapter office.

Your Committee considered the procedure as outlined in our constitution article 125 clause 23 for the signing of cheques as being too time consuming especially when some Companions authorized as signing officers were ill or were located out of the city of Toronto or were liable to be out of the city on business.

A recommendation was made to the advisory Committee to revise article 125 clause 23 which resulted in the following Notice of Motion:

To provide for improved efficiency and ease of operation in the Grand Chapter office I hereby move that article 125 clause 23 of our present constitution and the corresponding clause in our new constitution be revised to read all cheques issued on behalf of Grand Chapter shall bear the signatures of the Grand Z. or the President of the Executive Committee and one of the Grand Scribe E. or the Grand Treasurer.

ARTICLE 136, CLAUSE 10

Your Advisory Committee agreed in 1971 that the keeping of a set of books by the Grand Treasurer was a duplication of the work done in the Grand Scribe's office and recommended that the Grand Treasurer's set of books be discontinued. They also recommended that the Grand Scribe E. 's books be audited semi-annually rather than quarterly. However a Notice of Motion was not submitted to Grand Chapter for approval of these changes.

I refer you to Article 136, Clause 10, which now reads "The Committee shall annually appoint an auditor, who shall be a Chartered Accountant. His duties shall be to audit the books of the Grand Scribe E. and the books of the Grand Treasurer quarterly at least and report to the Grand Z. He shall receive such remuneration as Grand Chapter shall determine."

I hereby move that article 136, Clause 10, of our present constitution and the corresponding clause in our new constitution be revised to read "The Committee shall annually appoint an auditor who shall be a Chartered Accountant. His duties shall be to audit the books of the Grand Scribe E. semi-annually at least, and report to the Grand Z. He shall receive such remuneration as the Grand Chapter shall determine."

Your Committee also reviewed the annual return form, the financial statement form 5M-4-65, the summary of information form C-10-1M-11-65 and with the concurrance of the Advisory Committee approved revisions to make the forms more efficient for the Constituent Chapters and the Grand Scribe E.'s office.

We also recommend that the financial statement form 5M-4-65 (blue) be continued and copies be sent to the Chairman of the Committee on Conditions of Capitular Masonry, for his analysis so that Chapters having financial difficulties could have this brought out in the chairman's annual report to the Grand Z.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE PROCEDURES MANUAL

The Grand Chapter office procedures manual has been reviewed and up dated. We now have a very complete manual which has taken a lot of time and effort by our Grand Scribe E., R. Ex. Comp. Fred Conley. It will, however, have to be up dated again this year to take into account any changes brought about by the new constitution.

MANUAL FOR RECORDING RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

While some work has gone forward in consultation with our auditor, Ex. Comp. Jack Hauer, there is still further study required and should be proceeded with this year, so that a complete manual may be available for future.

Your Committee wishes to thank the members of the Advisory

Committee, our Grand Scribe E. and our Auditor for their co-operation and assistance.

Fraternally submitted,

R. EX. COMP. JOHN E. RICHARDSON,
R. EX. COMP. FRED C. CONLEY,
V. EX. COMP. GORDON FERGUSON,
R. EX. COMP. MAARTEN VAN WAMELEN,
R. EX. COMP. SAMUEL TENENBAUM,
EX. COMP. JACK HAUER,
M. EX. COMP. JAMES E. GIRVEN, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Dear Most Excellent Sir and Companion:

It was Sinclair Lewis who said, "that Nation is proudest and noblest and the most exalted which has the greaest number of really great men."

This is so in Masonry as well. Our great human advances were brought about by men of industry, sincerity and devotion to an ideal. The measure of acceptance of mediocrity today is the greatest menace of our time. Many of us are victims of a strange attitude that is satisfied with some vague average performance far below what we could be doing.

When we see greatness in men we should praise it with ungrudging spirit and in acknowledging greatness and distinguished service, we ourselves will stand taller than we did before.

It is the responsibility and privilege of your committee to receive, review and to make decisions on your submissions for special recognition of Royal Arch Masons who have contributed Distinguished Service to our fraternity.

During the past year one such award was unanimously approved and has received the Distinguished Service Award.

Companion Richard Paul Kendall, Golden Star Chapter No. 254, Dryden, Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir, your committee wishes to express their appreciation to you for the confidence you have placed in them and to thank you for the privilege of serving Grand Chapter in this important capacity.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION A. G. N. Bradshaw,
MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION CHARLES W. EMMETT,
MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION FRASER HAY, M.D., Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D. and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION AND INSTRUCTION

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companion,

Once again it is my privilege to submit the report of this important Committee for the year 1972/73.

We have endeavoured during our term of office to continue to support the Chapters wherever possible with our personal attendance and assistance in the field of Masonic Education and Instruction.

Where such was not feasible we trust that the forwarding of educational and instructive material has been beneficial to those Companions who requested assistance in these matters.

The Committee prepared the following papers, which were approved by the Grand Z. and are available on request:

a) A Syllabus for holding a Master Masons Night by a Royal Arch Chapter,

b) A Guideline for presenting a H.R.A. Certificate,

c) A Guideline for sharing the W. in the M.E.M. and H.R.A. Degree,

d) A pronouncing glossary of the Work for use by R.A. Chapters.

The Committee once again had the privilege to conduct an instruction meeting for the newly elected District Grand Superintendents at the 1972 Grand Chapter Convocation, which was followed by a Workshop on September 9, 1972 at the Masonic Temple at Markham.

At this meeting, which was held in an informal manner in order to encourage full participation by those who attended, it was possible to review in depth the duties of the important office of the District Grand Superintendent and his responsibilities to the Grand First Principal and the Chapters in his District.

We believe that this Workshop, which was attended by eleven District Grand Superintendents has done much to make their term of office a profitable one.

The following Chapters held a Master Masons Night, in which various members of the Committee were privileged to participate:—

Prince Edward Chapter No. 218, Shelburne.

Centennial Chapter No. 260, Streetsville

Ancaster Chapter No. 155, Ancaster.

Erie Chapter No. 73, Ridgetown.

Kichikewana Chapter No. 167, Midland.

Aurora Chapter No. 235, Aurora.

Mt. Sinai Chapter No. 44, Napanee.

Mimico Chapter No. 215, Mimico (planned for May, 1973).

St. Clair Chapter No. 75, Milton (planned for May, 1973).

It is the opinion of your Committee that these meetings have done much to strength the bond between Craft and Capitular Masonry and we strongly recommend the continuation of this type of evening.

In addition members of the Committee assisted in person at local Chapter or District Education Nights. Your Committee believes that the material presented was well received and the assistance at the meetings appreciated.

However, once again we must report that there is a lack of attendance at these education and instruction meetings by practically all Junior, as well as some Senior officers and we would be negligent in our duties if we did not report the grave concern we have for the apparent apathy that is being displayed by these officers.

This is the more regretful as there are definite indications that several Chapter Councils are now beginning to show the necessary leadership and enthusiasm which were the topics of discussion at the Seminars held by this Committee in 1971/72.

We must not forget that the responsibilities of a Chapter can not be carried on indefinitely by the Principals alone and that the time must come when younger men must take over.

The beauty of our Ritual must be preserved so that the genuine tenets of our time-honoured institution may be continued to be transmitted through our Chapters, pure and unimpaired, from generation to generation.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

GORDON T. FERGUSON,
ED. MARSHALL,
CHESTER L. PHILIP,
CLIFFORD E. RICH,
GORDON S. SLEIGHTHOLM,
MAARTEN A. VAN WAMELEN, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Maarten A. van Wamelen and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

KING CYRUS CHAPTER NO. 232, G.R.C.

M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, Grand Z., in his address to the Convocation on 28, 29, April, 1972, recommended that M. Wor. Bro. William Kirk Bailey be made an Honorary Past Z. of his Chapter. This was accepted by the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons at the 1972 Convocation.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z. for 1972-73, requested M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, Immediate Past Grand Z., to make arrangements for the Installation at King Cyrus Chapter of M. Wor. Bro. Bailey as an Honorary Past Z. of that Chapter. These arrangements were completed for a Grand Chapter Night to be held in King Cyrus Chapter No. 232 on the evening of Wednesday, 15 November, 1972.

The visitors of King Cyrus Chapter were headed by M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., and were duly received in the Chapter. M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham was asked to assume the chair of First Principal and proceed with the Investiture and Installation of M. Wor. Bro. and Comp. Bailey. Comp. Bailey was presented to the Chapter and duly invested and installed by Past Grand Officers as J., H., Z. and I.P.Z. M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., appointed Ex. Comp. W. K. Bailey as a Grand Chapter Officer. At the completion of his installation, R. Ex. Comp. Harry L. Martyn then presented V. Ex. Comp. Bailey with his regalia as a Grand Steward. V. Ex. Comp. Bailey then addressed a few well chosen words to the assembled Companions.

The Officers of King Cyrus then assumed their places. The First Principal of King Cyrus Chapter thanked M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., and Past Grand Chapter Officers for the honour which had been bestowed upon their Chapter by their presence and work of the evening.

REPORT OF THE GRAND REVIEWER

Once again, it is a privilege to submit the Report of the Grand Reviewer on Fraternal Correspondence. All of the Proceedings received have been read through — with one exception: that from the Netherlands which is printed in Dutch and, unfortunately, your Reviewer's ability to read Dutch is nil!

The loss of members is of much concern to all of the Grand Chapters but particularly to the larger Jurisdictions. Although it is known by all that the passing to the Grand Chapter Above by many of their members is something over which there is no control, they do have some control or can hope to reduce the number of demits as well as possibly diminishing the number of members suspended from the Chapter by non-payment of Dues.

Almost every Grand Jurisdiction reported benevolence being prac-practised in some form: assistance to children afflicted with heart disease, eye banks, and many other worthwhile programs.

In many neighbouring Grand Chapters, particularly those on the border between Canada and the United States, International Nights are held with the view of stimulating interest in Capitular Masonry as well as continuing to maintain the friendships which have been established over the many years of visitation between Grand Chapters.

Wherever we read in the Proceedings, particularly from the Report of the Grand Scribe E. or the Treasurer, finances seem to be of concern by most. They report that some Grand Chapters are working with dues in 1972 which were fine twenty-five years ago. Unfortunately, they are drawing on some of their reserves to meet expenses.

In many of the Grand Jurisdictions, award systems are used, such as plaques, certificates, etc. for a variety of reasons — for example: Chapters with the greatest percentage of gains in membership; the member who turns in the largest number of petitions; also efficiency awards for constituent Chapters in the Grand Jurisdiction and others.

Another project mentioned by quite a number of Grand Chapters, particularly in the United States, is the support which is given financially and otherwise to the Order of DeMolay, a youth group for boys in the age group of 14 to 21 years.

In conclusion, it must be said that reading the many Proceedings received during the past several months, it is without doubt an interesting and educational undertaking. The addresses given by the leaders of the various Grand Chapters are definitely inspiring and indicate the high calibre of men at the helm in Royal Arch Masonry.

R. EX. COMP. H. FOOTE.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. Foote and carried—

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

Due to the illness of M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon, a report was not prepared for presentation. The list of By-law changes are to be found in the address of the Grand Z.

M. Ex. Comp. Shannon and his Committee were complimented on their work done and regrets expressed concerning his illness.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and resolved,

"That these changes in By-laws be received and filed."

Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Committee on Finance submits the following report for the year ending February 28th, 1973:

The reports of the Grand Scribe E., the Investment Committee, and the Auditor covering the past fiscal year, are being respectively submitted to this Grand Chapter for consideration. It is our opinion that these reports present a complete and accurate state of the financial affairs of this Grand Chapter, and other than general comment in relation to the financial aspect of operations, verbatim details do not require repetition at this time.

Exhibit 'A' of the Auditor's Report is a balance sheet showing all the Assets and Liabilities of Grand Chapter. It includes the funds entrusted to and over which Grand Chapter has control. The securities of the respective funds have been examined by the Auditor, and they are held in proper safekeeping and custody as directed by Grand Chapter. As indicated assets include amounts owing by the contingent funds which have been since adjusted. There is also Accounts Receivables owing by the constituent chapters, which at first glance appear nominal, referral to the Auditor's comments indicate this to be a net amount of a total oustanding of $1,530. less deferred payments of $1,336. Those chapters respectively in arrears are urged to give this important matter their early attention.

The comparative results of operations for the fiscal year are shown in Exhibit 'B' of the Auditor's statement. While the corresponding budget projected an anticipated deficit of $600., we must regretfully report that an excess of expenditure over revenue of $1,952. is at hand. Total income received was somewhat below expectation, augmented by rising costs, notably in convocation expense and office assistance.

The preparation of the budget for the current fiscal year has received much thought, utilizing the assistance of various committee members. While striving to maintain expenses within reasonable bounds, rising costs are the respector of no individual, and of necessity a realistic approach must be taken. The budget is accordingly presented for your consideration:

ESTIMATE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1974

REVENUES:	Budget 1972/73	Actual 1972/73	Budget 1973/74
Registration Fees	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,679.00	$ 1,700.00
Dues—Per Capita	27,200.00	26,523.00	26,500.00
Dues—Life Membership	1,600.00	1,896.00	1,800.00
Dispensations and Warrants	175.00	207.00	200.00
Sale of Supplies	2,000.00	1,906.00	2,000.00
Interest on Investments	2,025.00	2,002.00	2,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	$34,700.00	$34,213.00	$34,200.00
EXPENDITURES:			
Grand Chapter Office:			
Remuneration—Grand Scribe E.	$ 6,500.00	$ 6,491.00	$ 6,500.00
Office Assistance	5,300.00	5,975.00	5,900.00
Rent and Parking	4,800.00	4,725.00	4,900.00
Miscellaneous (Postage, Telephone, etc.)	2,500.00	2,858.00	3,100.00
Canada Pension Plan	180.00	180.00	200.00
Workmen's Compensation Board	20.00	23.00	35.00
Unemployment Insurance	200.00	147.00	165.00
	$19,500.00	$20,399.00	$20,800.00
Grand Convocation:			
General Convocation Expense	$ 2,800.00	$ 4,400.00	$ 5,000.00
Executive Committee	2,200.00	2,419.00	2,000.00
Printing — Procedures	2,500.00	1,937.00	2,200.00
Regalia — Grand Z.	250.00	257.00	—
Testimonial — Grand Z.	350.00	350.00	—
	$ 8,100.00	$ 9,363.00	$ 9,200.00
Printing:			
General Distribution & Office	$ 750.00	$ 1,399.00	$ 750.00
Supplies for Re-sale	1,000.00	812.00	1,000.00
	$ 1,750.00	$ 2,211.00	$ 1,750.00
Other Expenses:			
Foreign Correspondence	$ 50.00	—	$ 50.00
Audit	600.00	$ 600.00	600.00
Travelling—Grand Z.	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Travelling—Other	200.00	—	200.00
Liability and Bonding Insurance	850.00	673.00	1,100 00
Jewels and Engraving	1,100.00	642.00	700.00
Education and Instruction	200.00	108.00	150.00
Publicity	600.00	—	600.00
Archives	300.00	170.00	300.00
Regalia Repairs	50.00	—	—
	$ 5,950.00	$ 4,193.00	$ 5,700.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$35,300.00	$36,166.00	$37,450.00
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUE	$ 600.00	$ 1,953.00	$ 3,250.00

In restrospect of this budget, we note the following:

Remuneration for office assistance allows for a weekly increase of $5.00 to Mrs. Wright to be effective May 1, 1973, and hopefully office overload assistance which is required in peak periods can be maintained within a maximum outlay of $500.00.

Convocation expenses continue to climb, and while we feel that every effort is being made to keep these at a minimum, it is suggested that we may well have to consider shortening the duration of time in which the Convocation is conducted.

While outlay for printing of supplies for re-sale is for the most part eventually recovered, this transpires only over a period of several years. Reprints of the constitution and the work, presently in limited supply, will in the ensuing years require a fairly substantial outlay.

At the last Convocation it was recommended and carried that $200.00 per annum be set aside to permit this Grand Chapter to eventually and in effect carry its own insurance. The amount of $400.00 has been included in the current budget to cover both years, and we again recommend that a separate account be instituted for this purpose.

CONCLUSION

A fairly comprehensive report on the financial affairs of this Grand Chapter was presented by this Committee, two years ago. It is further noted that since 1960 and excepting the years 1968 and 1972, we are gradually, if not rapidly, utilizing capital through deficit financing. Unfortunately, the budget just presented and the foreseeable continuous climb in cost factors do not offer much encouragement. It had been anticipated that the per capita increase authorized in 1971, would permit us to maintain an even keel at least for a few years, it is now apparent that such result is not being achieved. We re-iterate at this time that all matters involving finances coming before this Grand Chapter, be considered on the principal of sound business economy, having no regard to our best interests. We again suggest there is cause for concern, and unless we are prepared to place added burdens on the constituent chapters by way of a per capita increase, strong and conclusive action must be instituted to arrest any further deterioration.

All of which is fraternally and respectfully submitted by the Committee.

R. EX. COMP. JOHN E. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

GRAND CHAPTER "CALLED OFF"

Grand Chapter was "called off" at 4:20 p.m. to permit delegates to select their Grand Superintendents of the seventeen Districts of the Grand Jurisdiction and elect the Officers of Grand Chapter for the ensuing year as well as to decide the location of the Grand Convocation for 1974.

THURSDAY, 26 APRIL, 1973

Grand Chapter was "called on" at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF ELECTIONS

Ex. Comp. William Boston was called on to give the result of the Elections. Companions elected were reported by Ex. Comp. Boston as listed below.

AT THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, HELD IN THE SKYLINE HOTEL, CITY OF TORONTO, ONTARIO, ON 24, 25, 26 APRIL, 1973, THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES WERE ELECTED AND APPOINTED:—

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A. ..... Grand Z.
Box 78, 21 Catherine St. E., Dorchester, Ontario

R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson ..... Grand H.
1329 Cumnock Cres., Oakville, Ontario

R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule ..... Grand J.
4 Elizabeth St. S., Brampton, Ontario

} Grand Council

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS—Elected 1973

R. Ex. Comp. Hanlon C. Babcock ..... Grand Chaplain
199 York St., Kingston

R. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson ..... Grand Treasurer
142 Boultbee Ave., Toronto 6

R. Ex. Comp. Frederick C. Conley, B.A., B.Paed. ..... Grand Scribe E.
240 Eglinton Ave. E., Suite 205, Toronto 12

R. Ex. Comp. Lt.-Col. Herbert Powell, V.D. ..... Grand Scribe N.
48 Lincoln Ave., Toronto

R. Ex. Comp. Maurice Clark ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
171 Church St. E., Apt. 207, Brampton

R. Ex. Comp. Keith Bellamy ..... Grand Registrar
25 Ferncroft Dr., Scarborough

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(By Virtue of Office)

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C. ..... Grand Z. 1943-44
4000 Yonge St., Apt. 535, Toronto, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, J.P., F.R.S.A., LL.D. ..... Grand Z. 1951-52
655 Waterloo St., London, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. John Loftus House ..... Grand Z. 1955-56
14 Pearson Ave., Toronto 3, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith ..... Grand Z. 1959-60
169 Dufferin Ave., Belleville, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett ..... Grand Z. 1961-62
27 Colwood Rd., Islington, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D. ..... Grand Z. 1963-64
165 Victoria Ave. N., Listowel, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven ..... Grand Z. 1965-66
581 Weller St., Peterborough, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon, Q.C. ..... Grand Z. 1969
30 Spetz Street, Kitchener, Ontario

M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham ..... Grand Z. 1970-71
60 Stewart Smith Dr., Toronto, 385, Ontario

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Honorary

R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert, 1 Lincoln Ave., Cambridge-Galt, Ont. N1R 4W4.

R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie, 630 Parkhill Rd. W., Apt. 105, Benmor Towers, Peterborough, Ont. K9J 6N6.

R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, 111 Raglan Ave., Apt. 1501, Toronto 10, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. George E. Turner, M.D., 2281 Victoria Ave., Windsor, Ont.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Elected

R. Ex. Comp. Hallette C. Banks, 1749 Parkhurst Ave., London 32, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. Aube L. Weisman, 54 Forest Heights Dr., Willowdale, Ont.

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NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

By Special Resolution of Grand Chapter the One Hundred and Sixteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario will be held in the City of Toronto, Ontario. Place and time to be announced later.

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, Province of Ontario.

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to submit the following report:

Number of Chapters represented by Officers	98
Number of Chapters represented by Proxy	29
Number of Chapters represented by P.Z.'s only	10
Number of Chapters represented	137
Number of Chapters not represented	17
TOTAL	154
Number of Delegates present	527
Total Number of Votes	700

All of which is zealously and respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WOODLAND, Chairman.
E. ELCOMBE, Vice-Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson and carried,

That the report of the Credential Committee be received and adopted.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, the Grand Chapter Membership Committee presents this first report of its activities.

This committee was appointed to review the membership conditions throughout this jurisdiction. Our further purpose was to be concerned with assisting the Chapters in developing an ongoing membership acquisition programme.

Additional terms of reference are as follows:—

To provide information to Chapters for the establishment of a Membership Committee in each Chapter.

To suggest to the Chapters ways and means for greater participation of the Craft to become Royal Arch Masons.

To encourage Royal Arch Masons to attend, and actively participate, in Craft Lodges.

To offer constructive assistance to Chapters for planning a Master Masons night.

To disseminate information to Chapters regarding the successful methods used by some Chapters to increase membership.

To develop a fraternal relationship with Craft Lodges and to encourage the holding of a Chapter night in Lodge.

To encourage Companions to invite Craft Members to seek information concerning Royal Arch Masons.

To suggest to the Chapters way and means for greater participation and more involvement of Companions in a Chapter service programme.

To suggest techniques for the retention of members.

To eliminate as much as possible demits and suspensions.

To encourage the Chapter Membership Committee to visit every Member who requests a demit or fails to pay dues.

To encourage Chapters to exercise Masonic charity and benevolence where such is required.

To charge the sponsors of a candidate to see that he attends the meetings of the Chapter after his degrees are completed.

We are further authorized to co-opt such Companions as the Committee believes can assist in implementing this programme.

All Chapters have been contacted and our request for the establishment of a permanent Membership Committee has received favourable response by many Chapters.

Our suggestion that all Chapters develop a closer relationship with Craft Lodges has been well accepted. We are receiving many requests from Chapters for information regarding the holding of Chapter nights in Lodge and Master Masons nights in Chapter. Such requests are referred to the Masonic Education and Instruction Committee, Right Excellent Companion Maarten van Wamelen, Chairman.

Of necessity the early efforts of this Committee were devoted to the establishing of procedures. As the new Grand Superintendents appoint District Membership Chairmen we anticipate a chain of communication that will enable us to effect an exchange of information between all participants.

One of the existing problems is that many Chapters have no activity between Chapter meetings. We will encourage the Chapters to undertake a service programme that will require participation and involvement by the Companions.

There are innumerable projects that lend themselves to the humanitarian purposes set out in the ritual of our Order. Listed here are a few types of institutions and organizations where our services can be utilized.

Hospitals, Convalescent and Nursing Homes, Handicapped and Underprivileged Children, Homes for the Aged, the Blind and the Deaf, Training Schools for Boys and Girls.

The aforementioned together with the obvious internal services to our Companions and to the widows and orphans of our Companions can form a basis for the beginning of a Chapter programme. This Committee will endeavour to assist any Chapters desirous of setting up such services.

There appears to be a more favourable attitude towards our fraternal order. For this we can thank our leadership in Capitular and Craft Masonry. It is now up to each Chapter Officer and Membership Committee to participate in this favourable climate.

Respectfully submitted,

LLOYD B. GILLESPIE,
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CHESTER L. PHILIP,
FRED SCOTT, Secretary,
S. A. ELLENOR, Vice-Chairman.
AUBE WEISMAN, Chairman,
MAARTEN VAN WAMELEN, Consultant.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Aube Weisman and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

ZUR ERINNERUNG AN DIE
GROSSKAPITEL+GROSSKONZIL-
TAGE NÜRNBERG 11.-13.5.1973
MIT HERZLICHEN GRÜSSEN AN
DIE CANADISCHEN GEFÄHRTEN

AS REMEMBRANCE TO THE GRAND CHAPTER AND GRAND COUNCIL OF GERMANY DAYS IN NURNBERG 11 - 13 May, 1973. WITH HEARTIEST GREETINGS TO OUR CANADIAN COMPANIONS

GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF GERMANY

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., requested that M. Ex. Comp. Gunther Gall address his Companions at this Convocation. The following is a summary as written by R. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull of this address.

"M. Ex. Comp. Gunther Gall gave a very interesting talk on the development and progress of Freemasonry in Germany, the Netherlands, certain areas of France and Switzerland, with extensive details and statistics. However, some very enlightening historical facts concerning Freemasonry in Germany were explained.

He stated that soon after Hitler's rise to power, as early as 1934, it became apparent that Freemasonry in Germany was in great danger. In the same year, the German Grand Lodge of the Sun in Bayreuth (one of the pre-war German Grand Lodges) realized the imminent problems facing them and elected to wear a little blue flower, the Forget-Me-Not, in lieu of the traditional Square and Compasses, as a mark of identity for Masons. When the German military or the Gestapo inquired, "Was ist das?", the simple reply was "Eine Blume" (a flower). It was felt that the new symbol would not attract attention from the Nazis, who were in the process of confiscating and appropriating Masonic Lodges and property. Masonry had gone underground and it was necessary that the brethren should have some readily recognizable means of identification. Throughout the entire Nazi era, a little blue flower in a lapel marked a brother. In the concentration camps and in the cities, a little blue forget-me-not distinguished the lapels of those who refused to allow the Light of Masonry to be extinguished. When in 1947, the Grand Lodge of the Sun was reopened in Bayreuth, a little blue pin, the shape of a forget-me-not, was proposed and adopted as the official emblem of the first Annual Convention of those who had survived the bitter years of semi-darkness, bringing the Light of Masonry once again into the Temples. A year later, at the first Annual Convention of the United Grand Lodges of Germany, A.F. and A.M., the pin was adopted as an official Masonic emblem honouring those valiant brethren who carried on their work under adverse conditions. Thus did a simple little flower blossom forth into a meaningful emblem of the Fraternity, becoming perhaps the most widely worn pin among Freemasons in Germany.

M. Ex. Comp. Gunther Gall brought greetings from his Grand Chapter and his Companions in Germany, and wished for a prosperous future for his friends of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario. He is looking forward with pleasure to greeting the members of this Grand Body and their wives when they visit Germany this year.

GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO VISITATION TO GRAND CONVOCATION OF GERMANY, 10th TO 20th MAY, 1973

The Royal Arch Mason who visits other Chapters in his district, his province or in another country, is a very fortunate man indeed. He will make many new friends, he will be a much better Mason as a result but, most important of all, he will take with him a spirit of fraternalism and co-operation that will enrich all those with whom he visits.

When the idea of a visit to confer a Canadian Royal Arch Degree was first suggested, it seemed like a far-out dream. As time and letters and considerable effort on the part of our leaders passed by, the idea became more concrete. A personal decision had to be arrived at. Do we go? Can I get the time off? What do we have to do? How much money do we need?

These problems all resolved themselves quickly and now we could plan, and because it was such a new experience, dream! and dream we did.

These dreams came true when we arrived at Toronto International Airport on Thursday evening, May 10 of this year. The weather was frightful, hard driving rain, thunder and lightning all helped to add to the tension that had been building up for so long.

Once in the Airport, we found the Royal Arch and Lufthansa both waiting for all one hundred and sixty-seven of us. We were provided with a list of the names and addresses of those we were travelling with. Lufthansa took our bags and issued us tickets and seat numbers, and now all was ready. We had only to wait for the weather.

We took off about midnight in this dreadful weather and headed out over the St. Lawrence, the Atlantic Ocean and ultimately Nuremberg, Germany.

The first part of our flight was rather bumpy due to the bad weather, and it was a couple of hours before we could loosen our seat belts and the "No smoking" lights went out. This did not in any way deter the hospitality of our Lufthansa Crew; they very quickly served drinks to all and shortly a lovely hot dinner. After this, the lights were dimmed in the aircraft and we settled down for the night. For most of us, it was a restless time with very little sleep.

As we flew over Scotland and Holland, there was considerable cloud cover but the sun shone brightly and, once in a while, we were able to glimpse the patchwork terrain below. The Crew again served another delicious meal and then, in an air of increasing excitement, we made our preparations to land.

When we landed in Nuremberg, it was a beautiful clear warm day. This weather was to follow us for the full length of our stay in Europe. The German Royal Arch Companions were waiting to greet us, and then we realized how much preparation they, too, had put into this precedent shattering visitation.

After their warm welcome and almost token inspection by the German Customs, we were taken by bus to our hotels. Here, we were able to unpack our bags and refresh ourselves.

Twenty-five of the Canadian Companions were taken to the City Hall where we were guests at a reception given in our honour by the Oberburgermeister of Nuremberg, Dr. A. Urschlechter, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall. Here, were greeted by the Oberburgermeister and Members of his staff, and after welcoming speeches and appropriate responses, we were served drinks and fancy sandwiches. The Council Chambers themselves are worthy of mention. They must have been at least sixty feet long and a good twenty feet wide. The high ceilings were a delight of colourful frescoes illustrating memorable incidents in the long history of this ancient city.

After the reception, we were bussed to the Masonic Temple where we were booked in and we were able to purchase our luncheon and dinner tickets.

On this same evening, we had the great thrill of being part of a Canadian Grand Chapter Degree Team, conferring the Supreme Degree

of the Holy Royal Arch on one Canadian and three German Candidates in a German Masonic Temple and before the assembled Companions of the Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of Germany. Our Degree Team had not slept for at least thirty-two hours, and yet we put on a degree that everyone of us was proud of. This degree was very well received and our German Companions were quick to congratulate us and thank us.

During the time of the degree, the ladies took part in two different functions. Those who were Eastern Star attended a meeting held in their honour by the ladies of the German Eastern Star. Those ladies who were not Eastern Star were taken on a walking tour of the walled city of Nuremberg, and then to the beautiful old Mautskeller where they were to be joined by their husbands and later the Eastern Star ladies. The Mautskeller is a famous tavern that was formerly a Customs House and dates back to the thirteenth century.

After a most welcome night's sleep and breakfast at our respective hotels, the men again went to the Masonic Temple where they were the recipients of a warm personal welcome from the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Germany, Most Excellent Companion Gunther Gall. Our ladies were again taken on a sight-seeing tour of the delightful old city.

On Saturday evening, we attended a formal dinner dance held at the Hotel Deutcher Hof in honour of our Most Excellent Comp. Leo Gent and the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ontario. The meal was outstanding.

Our German Companions and their wives performed a series of historic traditional dances in costume and, after this, we all added our dancing talents to the evening.

On Sunday morning, a short service of worship was held at the Masonic Temple and then our four buses were off on a beautiful scenic tour of Southwest Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

The scenery and colour can only be described as spectacular. Our entire tour was brightened by the vivid colour of chestnut trees in blossom; orchards and gardens a mass of bloom against the rich green meadows and rugged mountains. All our hotel accommodations and meals left very little to be desired. Every place we went, we were welcomed and well treated. History to these people dates as far back as the Roman Empire, and all the subsequent wars and rebellions that we read of have left magnificent walled cities, stately castles and awe inspiring churches. All these combined have given these countries a landscape and a way of life entirely different to our own.

Some members of the German Grand Chapter met us in Munich and still more were at the airport in Nuremberg to see us off.

Our flight home was a delight. The Lufthansa Crew again outdid themselves in their hospitality and, by now, a warm spirit of friendship had greatly deepened among us all. Canadian Customs were most kind to us and we then went our different ways.

In retrospect, I have no regrets about this venture. I am very sure that the Grand Chapter of Germany must feel that their Convocation was a memorable one because of our presence. We, in turn, all have a deeper sense of true universality of Masonry and I, for one, can't help feeling that perhaps in a small way we all helped to add to the same feelings among our German Companions. There will always be a warm feeling and a deep sense of friendship between their Grand Chapter and ours. If we accomplished nothing else, this warm friendship and deep mutual respect we have established between our two Grand Jurisdictions have made this entire event worthwhile.

In a more local sense, the new friends we established among our own Ontario Companions has to be experienced to be realized. This was no quick handshake and murmured platitudes; this was a friendship made by days of constant companionship deepened by our mutual wonder and delight at what we were seeing and experiencing.

The memories of this trip will live vividly in the memories of my wife and myself for the rest of our lives. We will never forget the new places and the new faces and, if at some future date another such excursion is planned, you may be sure Mac and Mary Ellenor will be at the front of the bus.

R. EX. COMP. S. M. (MAC) ELLENOR,
Past Grand Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITIONS OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee presents its report on the Condition of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents of the various districts have been reviewed and your Committee notes with satisfaction the excellent work done by these dedicated Masons. It is noted that in every District the Grand Superintendent has been received with honour and dignity and has represented the Grand First Principal very well.

The work of the officers of the various Chapters has been reported as excellent; the new candidates have been received with dignity and the degrees have been conferred with a great deal of interest and well-nigh perfection. There appears to be an increase of interest shown in Capitular Masonry throughout the jurisdiction.

Your Committee notes with regret the surrendering of the charter by St. Paul's Chapter No. 65 and sincerely hopes that the Companions of that Chapter will affiliate with some other Chapter and not be lost to Royal Arch Masonry. We cannot stress too strongly the need for good leadership in our Chapters, interesting and well-planned meetings, beginning promptly and concluding at not too late an hour.

The increasing interest in Capitular Masonry is well emphasized by the work of the various Committees of Grand Chapter. We note with pleasure the excellent progress of the Committee on the "Work", chaired by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett and we are sure that everyone will realize the many hours of labour which have gone into the changes proposed in the degrees.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Maarten van Wamelen deserves great credit and the thanks of all the companions for the very excellent work done by the Committee on Masonic Education and Instruction. His untiring efforts have provided the incentive for many Chapters to have Education meetings which tend to increase the interest and knowledge of the companions.

Your Committee notes the increased interest in the sphere of Public Relations and Rt. Ex. Comp. Edward Marshall is to be congratulated on the excellent progress being made on this very difficult subject. There have been several releases during the year and it is hoped that we

can present a better image to the general public. The Companions are urged to assist this Committee by providing it with any item of news of an event which is taking place in their Districts.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Aube Weisman is to be complimented on the very fine work he is doing on two Committees — the Bursary Committee and the Membership Committee. He is recognized as the sparkplug on both these Committees and the success this year is due to his untiring efforts and leadership.

District Church Services were held in all Districts and were attended by the Companions and families. These services tend to give us an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the Supreme Being who has given us this opportunity of enjoying Royal Arch Masonry.

Your Committee notes the Installation and Investiture of our Grand Master, M. Wor. Bro. and Very Ex. Comp. William K. Bailey at King Cyrus Chapter No. 232 by Most Ex. Comp. Welham, assisted by many Grand Chapter members. The meeting was well attended and Comp. Bailey spoke at the banquet.

Many 50 year jewels and 25 year Past Principal jewels were presented during the year. We wish these Companions many years of health and happiness. At Palestine Chapter No. 54, Ex. Comp. Dr. Geo. Kennedy was presented with his 70 year jewel. This companion, though 97 years young, is still active and contributing his knowledge and experience to Capitular Masonry.

Your Committee notes the Centennials of Bruce Chapter No. 53, Petrolia and St. John's Chapter No. 48, Port Hope. It also notes the 175th anniversary of Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston. To these Chapters we extend congratulations and sincere wishes for continued success. Congratulations are also extended to Kitchener Chapter No. 117 on their new chapter room which was dedicated in due form by the Grand Council with many Grand Chapter members present.

There is a continuing loss in membership but it is becoming less. There are many Chapters which are showing an increase in membership and your Committee feels that within a short period of time our Grand jurisdiction will turn that loss into a general gain.

Your Committee notes the great contribution which our Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, has made to our Fraternity. We wish him continued health and wisdom that he may lead us to greater heights; we are certain that he will continue to receive the loyalty and support of all his companions.

In conclusion, Companions, on considering the activities which have taken place this year and on reviewing the reports of the Grand Superintendents, we can feel a new up-surge of enthusiasm developing.

We have excellent leadership; stalwart, faithful Companions; we have this new enthusiasm, and with the knowledge of this combination your Committee has a great sense of satisfaction in reporting that the condition of Capitular Masonry in our jurisdiction is bright. It only remains for each companion to do his part — support his Chapter, have faith, and the Royal Craft will move into higher spheres of accomplishment.

Your Committee wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to R. Ex. Comp. Fred Conley and the Grand Chapter office for all the assistance given us. We also wish to note the efficient manner in which his duties have been carried out.

In conclusion, your Committee makes reference to the Table of Comparative figures compiled by the Grand Scribe E. which is much appreciated by many interested companions.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

RT. EX. COMP. FREDERICK SCOTT,
RT. EX. COMP. LESLIE C. EWENER,
RT. EX. COMP. HALLETT C. BANKS,
RT. EX. COMP. GEORGE E. TURNER, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. George E. Turner and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND Z.'s ADDRESS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions, your committee has reviewed the address of our Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Leo Gent, and join with him in his warm and fraternal greetings to our distinguished guest. In particular do we concur in his gracious welcome to Most Worshipful Brother and Right Excellent Companion Harry L. Martyn representing Most Worshipful Brother and Very Excellent Companion William K. Bailey.

It is with profound sorrow and a sense of personal loss we join with our Grand Z. in recording the passing of so many staunch pillars of our Order. The recent death of Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle came as a shock to a host of his friends and associates.

While these distinguished Craftsmen are no longer with us, yet they will live in all things that surround us.

We join with our Grand Z. in his expression of appreciation to the various committees for their continuous dedication and devotion.

We note the extensive record of the visitations of our Grand Z. during his first term of office. This truly is an indication of his dedication and devotion. We are confident the manner in which he has represented our Grand Chapter wherever he has gone has added lustre to our Order.

It is with pride we note, the many Anniversaries and Dedications that have taken place during the past year and extend to these Chapters our congratulations and best wishes for the future.

It is most gratifying to note the number of Companions who have received Grand Chapter Jewels. We congratulate them and commend our Grand Z. on his action in having these jewels presented.

The dispensations and appointments made by our Grand Z. appear in order and are confirmed.

We join in the tribute and acknowledgment paid to Most Ex. Comp. Harold Shannon, Q.C., for the outstanding work he and the members of his committee have carried out in preparing the draft constitution.

We join in the commendation and encouragement expressed by our Grand Z. to the Royal Arch Masons Welfare Committee of Toronto and to Mount Sinai Chapter, Toronto. This example of Masonry in action is most worthy of emulation.

We join with our Grand Z. in his concern over the decline in membership and agree that every possible avenue must be explored to arrest

this tide.

The forthcoming trip to Germany, being a first, we congratulate our Grand Z. on arranging this tour, and feel confident it will strengthen the bounds of Masonry.

We concur in our Grand Z.'s decision to involve the members of the Grand Executive in the work of Grand Chapter.

Our Grand Z.'s thanks to the members of Grand Council, the Grand Scribe E. and all members of committees are concurred in by this committee.

We most heartily concur in the recommendation of the Grand Z. to appoint Rt. Ex. Comp. Dr. Turner as an Honorary Member of our Grand Executive.

This recommendation is most timely in acknowledging the great contribution Rt. Ex. Comp. Dr. Geo. E. Turner has made, not only as a member of our Grand Executive but in particular as an active member on many committees over the past number of years. We are therefore pleased to confirm this appointment.

In conclusion your committee desire to tender to Most Ex. Comp. Leo Gent our sincere congratulations on his activity and zeal in carrying out his many duties. We feel sure he has earned the respect and admiration of his fellow companions.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

MOST EX. COMP. JOHN L. HOUSE,
MOST EX. COMP. BRUCE H. SMITH,
MOST EX. COMP. FRASER HAY, M.D.,
MOST EX. COMP. JAMES E. GIRVEN,
MOST EX. COMP. HAROLD SHANNON,
MOST EX. COMP. FRED W. D. WELHAM,
MOST EX. COMP. CHARLES W. EMMETT, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and Seconded by M. Ex. Comp J. L. House,

"Resolved that this report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted." Carried.

REPORT TO GRAND CHAPTER ON THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

I was asked to present the report of the Constitution Review Committee on account of the illness of Most Excellent Companion Harold Shannon who, as you know, has been ill. During the past year or two since rough drafts were sent out to all Chapters there has been considerable correspondence, making representations on behalf of various sections of the proposed new constitution. Some of these have been fairly isolated, and others have come from two or three sources. Every one has been given very careful consideration. There were, of course, a great many typographical errors in the draft as sent out the last time because we did, in fact, have a rather bad printing job. What I propose to do is to outline the major changes we have made and not pay too much attention to the errors which were of a typographical nature, but assure you that this entire thing will be gone over very carefully by the committee before it is again printed, and we shall try to catch the various errors, duplications, etc., as well as making the changes which I shall now indicate to you.

It is not our intention to produce this new constitution in a bound edition this year, but rather to produce it in loose form and send it

out to all Chapters again this Fall, to give anyone the opportunity of catching any further typographical errors or duplications before we go to the main printing, which will be next year.

One of the main changes which we have made as a result of the executive committee's consideration of the draft yesterday was in the method of balloting. I raised the question with the Grand Executive as to whether or not people really understood what the change meant. I asked them to consider that this was a very important change and suggested that they must decide whether they were ready for such an important change in the method of balloting. The Executive meeting decided to recommend that we should not make the change and we therefore reverted to Section 52 of the old constitution. There was a great deal of discussion about a member being able to take his demit from a Craft Lodge and remain a member of Grand Chapter. I asked for the removal of Section 171 with the 1970 dating and recommended Section 66, sub-section 1, page 31 of the draft which clearly states that any man who takes out a demit has lost his membership in Chapter. I have also agreed to recommend a resolution to Grand Chapter to give power to the Grand First Principal to grant dispensation in any hardship cases. The Scribes E. will be invited to send in to the Grand Chapter office a list of names of members who have taken their demit a long time ago and have been permitted to remain in Chapter, and where it was felt that it would now be a hardship for them to lose their membership, the Grand First Principal would have the power to grant dispensation. This is something which he tells me he intends to use very carefully but the important thing is that now the constitution is very clear as to demits and there is no room for doubt. I might say that in my opinion there was never any room for doubt but we have now made it clear to everyone.

One of the important changes was in the various areas including Section 3, page 1, of the draft of October, 1972 where, along with Grand Chapter Officers it was proposed to list the holders of the Distinguished Service Medal. This was deleted and is deleted from all places where such reference was made.

A change was made in respect of the honorary memberships permitted under Section 160 of the new constitution. The commutation fee to Grand Chapter is now $3.00; the option which formerly existed allowing the Chapter to choose whether to pay a commutation fee or alternatively continue to pay per capita fees to Grand Chapter, has now been eliminated. A certificate has been authorized, the certificate formerly in use having been rather unofficial, not having been provided for in the constitution. A proposal was to change the times of balloting as well as the times of registration from those now in existence at Grand Chapter. That proposal was eliminated and the times remain as before.

These were the major changes. As soon as corrected copies can be made the new draft will be distributed and we shall invite correspondence with those who detect any errors or duplications or indeed any contradictions.

W. S. THOMSON,
Grand Second Principal.

This constitution was passed unanimously. There was not a dissenting voice and there were no questions from the floor.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven and carried,

"Resolved that this report on the Draft Constitution be received and adopted."

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS BURSARY COMMITTEE REPORT, 1972-73

Most Excellent the Grand First Principal:

The Grand Chapter Bursary Committee is pleased to present this report on its activities for the past year.

We gratefully acknowledge the valuable assistance to this Committee by the Grand Superintendents of all Districts, their dedicated service to Masonry is well known to all. In addition to the many responsibilities throughout their respective Districts they frequently utilized portions of their time to speak about the Bursary programme. All Chapters were encouraged to participate in Bursary and this report will show that more Chapters than ever before were active in the bursary programme.

The high stnadards established by previous bursary committees have been maintained. All applicatioins for assistance were thoroughly investigated. The co-operation of our Chapters, Grand Superintendents and the District Bursary Chairmen was invaluable by providing the necessary information and substantiation which greatly assisted us in reaching our decisions.

The reduction of Educational Budgets has seriously affected student enrolment as well as curriculum. Undoubtedly, many students who had not obtained summer employment, or were without sufficient finances, decided not to continue their education.

Since our last convocation we have received 35 applications for bursary assistance. Three were from children of deceased Companions. Two other applicants did not qualify for our aid. Two either withdrew or did not register for school. Two applicants did not reply to our correspondence, we therefore presume that they decided not to pursue their application. The remaining 29 applications received our close scrutiny and examination. The awards to these students were distributed among 16 Universities and Colleges. A total of $6,590.00 in Bursary awards has been disbursed in the past twelve months. The monies in every case was forwarded to the student awards officers of the educational institution for transmital to the student. In every case our qualifying clause prohibiting duplication of awards was stressed.

To this date the Grand Chapter Bursary Committee, acting on your behalf, has made 113 awards totalling $33,655.00.

I know you will join with me in sharing my pride in the participation by our Chapters and Companions. The audited balance sheet will be found in the proceedings. It is my happy duty to report that 91 Chapters Chapters have contributed to the Bursary Fund. Appended to this report is a composite of total bursary applications and awards.

Credit for this increased involvement must go to the District and Chapter Bursary Chairmen. It is these Companions who deliver the Bursary message directly to the members of our Order and it is their perseverance and persistance that has enabled us to achieve new goals.

Many Chapters commemorate the names of deceased Companions through the bursary. Such contributions are acknowledged by a certificate sent to the family of the deceased Companion over the signature of the Grand First Principal. A complete list of contributors is attached to this report.

This Committee grieves with all masonry in the passing of Most Excellent Companion Maurice A. Searle, the first chairman of the Grand Chapter Bursary Committee. For me it was a great personal loss as I recall the many hours we spent discussing the bursary pro-

gramme which was his great love and gave him so much pleasure. His service to the dependants of our Companions was exemplary. It was his capacity for administration that established the present practices and regulations for the making of awards. He so often stated "that no dependant of a Royal Arch Mason should be denied the opportunity of higher education because of financial need". We recommend that future Grand Chapter Bursary Committees endeavour to carry on these high ideals in the future considerations of this important activity.

DISTRICT BURSARY REPORTS

St. Clair District No. 1—R. Ex. Comp. George Lauzon reports that this district continues to support the bursary. He sent a personal letter to all Chapters which was well received.

London District No. 2—This district has made excellent progress in supporting the bursary fund. The chairman is R. Ex. Comp. Mac Ellenor.

Wilson District No. 3—Ex. Comp. Fred Gillies reports the active Chapters of this district appreciate and support the bursary programme.

Wellington District No. 4—This district continues its support for Bursary under the chairmanship of R. Ex. Comp. Bernard Robinson. The Principals Association of this district has contributed to the bursary.

Hamilton District No. 5—The continued support that we have come to expect of this district has been again maintained under the chairmanship of V. Ex. Comp. Jack Loft.

Huron District No. 6—The increased support we are receiving from this district under the chairmanship of R. Ex. Comp. W. Elmer Johnston is most gratifying.

Niagara District No. 7—District Chairman Ex. Comp. John Gallaway accompanied the District Superintendent on most of his visits. He was favourably received and received pledges of support for the bursary.

Toronto East District No. 8—Chairman R. Ex. Comp. Joe Bell has been in correspondence with the Chapters and, on occasion, spoken in Chapter. His efforts are reflected in a greater overall participation. This district held a social evening with the proceeds being contributed to Bursary.

Toronto West District No. 8A—The support for bursary is again exemplified under the capable leadership of Ex. Comp. Everett Bluestein.

Georgian District No. 9—R. Ex. Comp. Garnett E. Tait as chairman in this district has sustained the fine efforts established by this district.

Ontario District No. 10—Ex. Comp. Lance Patterson has been in communication with all Chapters and this district has once again been exemplary in support of the Bursary programme.

Prince Edward District No. 11—Under the continued chairmanship of R. Ex. Comp. Ralph Bell this district has again afforded strong support to the Bursary.

St. Lawrence District No. 12—Under the competent direction of R. Ex. Comp. Robert H. Seymour this district has maintained its high level of participation. We specially acknowledge the activity of Ex. Comp. Orville Francis and Comp. Byron Gordon of this district. We are assured that this work will be continued with the assistance of a strong committee.

Ottawa District No. 13—The strong support that we have always received from this district, under the chairman, Ex. Comp. C. R. Ruttle, has once again been shown by the marked increased interest in Bursary.

Algoma District No. 14—Ex. Comp. George Pape, District Chairman, indicates the previous level of support by the Chapters of Algoma District is being maintained. Interest in Bursary continues to increase.

New Ontario District No. 15—V. Ex. Comp. Albert Beach has been in touch with the Chapters of this district who continue to pledge their support to Bursary.

Temiskaming District No. 16—Our northern district has a new chairman in the person of R. Ex. Comp. G. S. Tipper. We expect renewed interest from this district.

We received a great many letters of thanks from our students. This is a quote from one of those letters:—

"A" simple 'thank you' cannot nearly express the gratitude that I feel toward the Grand Chapter and all those Companions who made it possible to grant these bursary awards. To me it seems like a re-confirmation of the basic goodness in man despite the strain which is put on him to survive in a competitive society. This confidence in human values enables me to carry on with my endeavour, to which I am committed by reason of desire, to help those that are less fortunate in their struggle to comprehend the complexity of a technological society. Thank you again."

This being my final report as your chairman I wish to express my thanks to all the past and present members of the Grand Chapter. I also extend my thanks to those officers, who in serving their own Chapters, recognized the great value of the Bursary Fund. The Bursary has been a unifying factor within this jurisdiction. All Royal Arch Masons are justly proud of the results achieved and the marks established by this singularly successful programme. To the members of the Bursary Committee goes my special thanks. During my term on the committee I was fortunate to be associated with Most Excellent Companions John M. Burden, Q.C., Maurice A. Searle, John L. House, Charles W. Emmett, Fred W. D. Welham, Leo J. Gent, Q.C., B.A., Right Excellent Companions Reg. Willet, Joe Hessey, Very Excellent Companions Ed. Shunk, Dr. John Brown, Excellent Companions Cliff Meunier and Andrew Rankine. Each of these worthy companions contributed a great deal to the functioning of this committee. Their advice was invaluable and they were always available. They made my task easier and without their help we could not have achieved our present success.

I am very grateful to our Grand Scribe E. Right Excellent Companion Fred Conley, the co-operation afforded by the Grand Chapter office was especially helpful.

This committee recommends the appointment of Excellent Companion Everett M. Bluestein to the Grand Chapter Bursary Committee. We also ask the Grand First Principal to accept the unanimous recommendation of this committee and endorse the appointment of V. Ex. Comp. Ed. Shunk as chairman.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JOHN M. BURDEN, Q.C.
JOHN L. HOUSE,
CHARLES W. EMMETT,
DR. JOHN BROWN, D.S.C. (London)
Ex Officio Members.
ED. SHUNK,
JOE HESSEY,
CLIFF MEUNIER,
ANDREW RANKINE,
AUBE WEISMAN (Chairman).

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Aube Weisman, seconded by V. Ex. Comp. Ed. Shunk that this report be adopted by Grand Chapter.

CHAPTERS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO DATE TO THE BURSARY FUND

2 The Hiram, 5 St. George's, 6 St. John's, 7 The Moira, 8 King Solomon, 16 Carleton, 18 Oxford, 19 Mt. Moriah, 23 Ezra, 24 Tecumseh, 26 St. Mark's, 27 Manitou, 28 Pentalpha, 29 McCallum, 30 Huron, 31 Prince Edward, 32 Waterloo, 34 Signet, 35 Keystone, 36 Corinthian, 37 Victoria, 41 Harris, 56 Georgian, 57 King Hiram, 59 Sussex-St. Lawrence, 61 Granite, 64 Wilson, 65 St. Paul's, 66 The Malloch, 67 Enterprise, 69 Grimsby, 75 St. Clair, 76 Mount Nebo, 78 Minnewawa, 79 Orient, 81 Aylmer, 82 Shuniah, 94 Midland, 95 Tuscan, 102 Algonquin, 104 White Oak, 113 Covenant, 114 Bonnechere, 116 Maple, 117 Kitchener, 119 King Cyrus, 130 Chantry, 133 St. Francis, 134 King Darius, 138 Shekinah, 140 Ft. William, 144 Presqu'ile, 145 The St. Patrick, 146 Bernard, 149 Atwood, 152 Alberton, 158 Sombra, 155 Ancaster, 167 Kichikewana, 168 Ionic, 175 The Hamilton, 195 Peel, 198 Couchiching, 205 Victoria, 210 Kitchener, 212 Mt. Sinai, 215 Mimico, 217 St. Alban's, 218 Prince Edward, 220 Lebanon, 222 Ottawa, 224 Keystone, 225 Beaver, 226 Prince of Wales, 227 Quinte-Friendship, 236 Caledonia, 238 The St. Andrew's, 239 Blenheim, 241 University, 242 St. Paul's, 243 McKay, 247 Nilestown, 249 Palestine, 250 Thomas Peters, 252 Hiawatha, 254 Golden Star, 257 Espanola, 259 Quetico, 260 Centennial, 262 King David, 263 The Scarborough.

Adoniram Council No. 2, Adoniram Council No. 8, Riblah Council No. 2, Farrington Conc., Principal's Ass'n—Wellington and Toronto East Districts.

Total to date — 91 Chapters.

COMPOSITE OF TOTAL BURSARY APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS

1966/67—9 Applications; 9 Awards; Total $4,000.00.
6 Male, 3 Female, 8 Chapters

1967/68—12 Applications; 8 Awards; Total $3,800.00.
4 Male, 4 Female, 7 Chapters

1968/69—18 Applications; 14 Awards; Total $4,250.00
4 Male, 10 Female, 13 Chapters

1969/70—18 Applications; 15 Awards; Total $4,150.00
6 Male, 9 Female, 13 Chapters

1970/71—16 Applications; 13 Awards; Total $3,950.00
7 Male, 6 Female, 13 Chapters

1971/72—33 Applications; 25 Awards; Total $6,915.00
16 Male, 9 Female, 22 Chapters

1972/72—33 Applications; 25 Awards; Total $6,915.00
19 Male, 10 Female, 24 Chapters.

Total Applications 141; Total Awards 113
62 Male, 51 Female, 57 Chapters

COMMITTEE REPORT FOR STUDY OF ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS

To Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir, as Chairman of your Committee I have appreciated the opportunity to work with the Companions of some of the Chapters where they encountered problems and in several cases it has

been very gratifying to see with renewed enthusiasm they have become more active and are progressing quite well.

We appreciate too, Most Excellent Sir the leadership you have been giving in appointed sub-committees in some of the districts to assist Chapters where needed.

Your Committee was able to hold their first full meeting Tuesday evening, April 24th, 1973 which was attended by all Grand Superintendents. Each Superintendent reviewed his year in office pointing out the strengths and weaknesses of Chapters in his district. As a general statement practically all Superintendents expressed a feeling of optimism that membership and interest was on the upswing. They quoted examples of Chapters having one to four Candidates during the first quarter of 1973 where as they had been without Candidates during the past one or two years, one district showed an increase of 3.8% last year.

The meeting was particularly useful for the exchange of ideas to produce inovative programs in the district and individual Chapters. Many indicated Chapters were holding Master Mason nights, as well as receiving invitations from Craft lodges to have Royal Arch Degree teams confer degrees. I would judge from the comments that there is greater communication and closer relationship between craft lodges and Royal Arch Chapters than in the past. A number reported new candidates as a result of these efforts. It was felt too that District and Chapter church services was an excellent way to become better recognized by the public. Father and son Chapter nights with a special program for youth was being used by some Chapters.

All agreed though, Chapters having Past Principals acting as First Principals usually were encountering difficulty and need special assistance. There are some Scribes E. who have had little experience or benefit from instruction and need assistance and instruction in the duties of their office. In other instances some Scribes E. have served in the office too long and exert too much control over the Principals of the Chapter.

COMMUNICATION

Many Grand Superintendents expressed the view, there is insufficient Communication between Chapters in the district and recommend all Scribes E. exchange summonses with First Principals and Scribes E. of their district. Each Scribe E. could then list coming events in their summonses.

All Superintendents expressed their appreciation for the seminars conducted by the Chairman of the Masonic Education and Instruction Committee R. Ex. Comp. Maarten van Wamelen and felt there was a need for the secretaries to the Grand Superintendents to be present at such seminars.

A few Grand Superintendents felt they received good Communication from the Immediate Past Superintendent but others felt a procedure should be established for a discussion between the outgoing Superintendent and themselves.

As a result of the discussions at our meeting the Committee respectively submits the following for consideration by the Grand Council.

1. That Seminars be continued for Grand Superintendents and that secretaries to Grand Superintendents be included and instruction provided to enable them to give better advice and council to Scribes E.
2. That Scribes E. be requested to send summonses to all First Principals and Scribes E. in their district and include coming

events in other Chapters in their summonses.

3. That emphasis be continued for planning Master Mason nights in Chapters and degree teams to visit Craft lodges to confer degrees.
4. That Grand Superintendents plan district social events.
5. That the Grand Scribe E. be prepared to visit Chapters in districts where the Scribes E. need instruction and guidance.
6. That Constituent Chapters be encouraged to review all suspended and demitted Companions and encourage those that might be considered prospective Candidates to seek admission to join the Chapter again.
7. Since many Grand Superintendents have developed great enthusiasm for the work in the district it is recommended the Grand Council consider ways and means to give them further responsibilities.

In concluding this report, we are most grateful for the assistance given and the interest shown by the District Grand Superintendents to further the cause of Royal Arch Masonry in our Grand Jurisdiction. The Key word in both Chapters and by Grand Superintendents is continued involvement for all Companions to provide increased attendance and membership.

Again as we said last year, proper leadership is the key word to success.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

All Grand Superintendents,
R. EX. COMP. ED ELCOMBE,
R. EX. COMP. E. J. J. JACKSON,
R. EX. COMP. GORDON HALE,
R. EX. COMP. McGREGOR,
M. EX. COMP. JAMES E. GIRVEN, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven and carried,

Resolved that this Report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett spoke to the assembled Companions concerning the Election of their Grand Superintendents. It was suggested that most Districts are aware of who will be elected to the above office. It is suggested that thought be given to electing a Secretary for the District for the year. The next year, provided his work and effort are satisfactory to the Companions, he would automatically be elected as Grand Superintendent. This gives a year of preparation for this most important office. It is suggested that, at the 1974 Convocation, there be a discussion from the floor of Grand Chapter on this question and a decision arrived at.

COMMISSIONS

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., requested R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson to present two Commissions to our Companions who would represent our Sister Jurisdictions near our Grand Body.

The recipients were:

R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule — Argentina.
R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Conley — South Dakota.

Before the Grand Chapter Convocation closed, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent called on the Grand King of Indiana, R. Ex. Comp. Russell E. Brock, to present their Commission to Indiana's Representative near our Grand Body, V. Ex. Comp. David Sturch, who had been unable to be present at an earlier time in the Convocation due to previous appointments at his office.

PRESENTATION

R. Ex. Comp. Howard White of Manitoba, who was representing the Grand Z. of that Sister Jurisdiction, was asked to speak. He brought greetings from his Grand Z. and Companions.

He then proceeded to present a framed picture of the Grand Z.'s of the Grand Chapter of Canada during the period of 1857 to 1907. This had been found in a house that was being demolished. It was felt by the Grand Z. of Manitoba that this would be prized by this Jurisdiction and hence R. Ex. Comp. White had been sent to our Convocation to present it. M. Ex. Comp. Hugh L. Hornbeck, Grand Z. of Manitoba, regretted that he was not able to attend personally.

OFFICERS INVESTED AND INSTALLED

M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, I.P.G.Z., was requested by the Grand Z. to assume the office of Installing Z. and proceed with the Investiture and Installation of the Officers of Grand Chapter for 1973-74.

The Grand Scribe E. was requested to read the results of the Election. The Director of Ceremonies was directed to collect the collars and jewels of newly elected Officers. As the Grand Council was elected by acclamation, they were declared. Grand Honours was given under the leadership of the Director of Ceremoneis.

The Grand Superintendents for 1973-74 were presented and duly obligated, invested and installed in prescribed form. The remaining Officers, newly elected, were invested and the other officers declared.

APPOINTMENTS

The Committee on the Grand Z.s Address was favourable to the Grand Z.'s recommendations and was accepted by the Grand Convocation. M. Ex. Comp. Gent then read the Addendum to his address as previously printed at the end of his address.

After the Ceremony of Installation was completed, M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent, Grand Z., thanked M. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham and his Officers for a very fine installation. He hoped that all Elected Officers now installed would enjoy a year of service and accomplishments for Grand Chapter.

The Grand Z. then proceeded to read the list of Appointments of Grand Chapter for 1973-74. He stated that he did reserve the right to make some changes in the appointments of some offices. This would be done at an early date. The appointments are as listed now in this Proceedings.

MOTIONS

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule, and carried,

A. "That R. Ex. Comp. Carl Ackert be appointed for a further 3 years (1976) on the Benevolent Committee."

B. "That M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham fill the vacancy on the Benevolent Committee caused by the death of M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle."

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Sproule, and carried,

"That M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett be appointed to the Committee on Distinguished Service Awards for a further term of 3 years."

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Sproule, and carried,

"That V. Ex. Comp. Edward Shunk be appointed Chairman of the Committee on Archives."

A letter was read from Mimico Chapter No. 215 proposing that the Bursary Fund be known in the future as the "Maurice A. Searle Bursary Fund", thus honouring our Late M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle who had served the first five years of the Fund as Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, and carried in principle,

"That the Bursary Fund of Grand Chapter be known as the Maurice A. Searle Bursary Fund."

This was then referred to the Grand Advisory for further study and recommendation.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. William S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule and carried,

"That the thanks of Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario be tendered to:

A. The Credentials Committee, Chairman R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, for their most efficient manner in which they discharged their duties.

B. The Scrutineers, Chairman Ex. Comp. William Boston, for their services in conducting the election of officers.

C. The General Committee, Chairman R. Ex. Comp. Maarten van Wamelen, for their untiring efforts in caring for all arrangements for this Convocation.

D. The Installation Board, Installing Z.—M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, for their efficient manner in carrying out their duties.

E. The Skyline Hotel for their pleasant and co-operative attitude and performance of their work at all times.

F. All Companions who helped in any way in this Grand Convocation."

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott, and carried,

"That a Companion who has been elected for a second term in the same office need not be invested and installed but merely declared."

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Joseph Hessey, seconded by Ex. Comp. R. F. McRae, and lost,

"That the Constitution of Grand Chapter relating to dates of Grand Chapter Convocation be waived for 1974, and Convocation held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of fourth week of April, 1974."

M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett pointed out that this was a very inappropriate time to follow this procedure. There did not appear to be a pressing need. V. Ex. Comp. G. Fennell felt that in the middle of the week, Convocation meant a large loss in wages to Companions; the weekend would suit better. M. Ex. Comp. F. Hay stated that at the Grand Executive Meeting it was agreed there would be no change in Convocation dates except under very special circumstances. If we have a Constitution, it should be followed and not change the date but remain as stated in the Constitution. M. Ex. Comp. Gent, Grand Z., pointed out that, if the Convocation were in the middle of the week and he had cases due to come up in Court on those days, it might be necessary for him to be absent and a Past Grand Z. carry on. Ex. Comp. Brock stated that, in his opinion, we need more Companions at Grand Chapter Convocation to get more ideas from the Jurisdiction. The Friday, Saturday days might accomplish this. This present Convocation seemed to have the smallest attendance in years.

A standing vote was taken, counted by the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Treasurer, and the Motion was declared lost.

M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent added his personal thanks to all Companions who helped make this Convocation a success.

The labour of the Annual Convocation being ended, Grand Chapter was closed in Ample Form at 12:15 p.m., Thursday, 26 April, 1973, Toronto, Ontario.

Grand Scribe E.

Frederick C. Conley

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APPENDIX

COMPANIONS REINSTATED — 1972

35—Douglas Taylor; 36—Gendron H. Clarke; 48—Douglas N. Tait; 63—Pete Hume Hartry Bissonnette; 71—Watson Hallock; 77—Percy W. Boyd; 79—Ivan James Williams; 81—Asel Bartlett; 90—Frank Edwards; 95—John David MacFarlane; 102—Boyd Morrison Anderson McBurnie; 145—Leslie Alex Moore; 147—J. W. E. Crawford; 168—Claire Eugene Ames; 218—Albert William Holton; 222—Harold Edward Thompson; 232—Herbert Diez; 247—William George Holmes; 254—Ebenezer Merdith Morgan; 260—Alfred Joseph Grosvenor.

SUSPENSIONS — 1972

2—Ormerod, Wm. Gordon; Lavery, Joseph; Prentice, Dugald. 3—Marsh, Robert John; Hopkins, Wm. Lloyd: Hope, Charles W. 4—Stokes, Clarence James; Thompson, William Harold. 6—Haylock, Thomas Richard; Brown, Stanley Diamond; McLaren, Laughlin McPherson. 8—Munn, William. 16—Cronsberry, Alexander McLeod; Rosentrom, Alfred Nobel; Salhany, Fred B. 23—Burroughs, George William; Tisdale, Robert David; McBride, Bernard Carl. 24— Hartwick, Leo Floyd; Egan, Willis Ivan; Keller, Robert Gordon: Orr, John Kenneth. 26—Egerton, Patrick Lawrence; Hadley, John Herbert. 27—Irvine, Samuel. 28—Mills, Ross Edward; Jackson, Walter Herbert; Borrow, Peter Edward. 34—Scott, Frank Maurice; Howard, Leslie Ronald. 36—McNichol, Kenneth; Shaw, Wm. Congalton; Gordon-Tydd, Arthur George. 44—Richmond, Claude Roy; Lloyd, Fred B. Lloyd. 47 Sewell, David Arthur. 56—MacNab, Stanley Mack; 57—Favell, George E.; Fudon, Frank. 59—Boyce, R. S.; Perkins, Gerald John; Gilroy, John Waldo; Halka, Nicholas. 63.—MacKay, John McDonald. 64—Armstrong, Ralph C. 66—Jackson, Barrie; Mitchell, Morton K.; Wilbee, William W.; Caldwell, William Walton; McGavin, Gordon. 71—O'Hara, Robert John; Imrie, Ernest; Stowe, Walter Elmer. 74—White, John A.; 77—Pickup, Emlyn; Jensen, Peter Rang; Frost, Wilfred Arnold; Wallace, Harry Samuel; Warren, William John Edward. 79—Martins, Samuel John Ernest; McEdwards, John. 82—Robillard, Roy Finley; Button, Colin Richard. 90—Speight, Horace Walter; Cunningham, Thomas W. 91—Thomas, Stanley Edward; Shepherd, Alexander Ferrier. 95— Yeo, John Gordon; Marshall, Freeman Nelson; Attwood, Frank Herbert.

102—Davies, Reginald Herbert; McLean, Ian. 104—Wilson, Jack; Leary, Harold Franclyn; McNally, George Walter; Porter, George Raymond; Marchand, Louis Goodwill Batten; Hines, Robert; Turner, Colin; Franklin, Frank Bruce. 113—Lamble, Norman Allen; Dennison, William, M.C.A. 119—Drake, Peter Alfred; Brown, Morgan. 132—Clarke, John James. 138—Clark, Hugh; Smith, John Kenneth; Wilson, Allan George; Masters, Reginald. 140—Jarrett, Frank Ernest; Shipowich, Michael; Pumphrey, Frank Joseph; Cunningham, George Sutton; Barrow, William; Linstrom, Raymond Paul; Anuik, James; Wallace, Samuel Alexander; Morris, Gordon Baxter. 145—Bested, Albert; Bennett, James Sheddon; Spence, Keith A. 151—Harle, Roy Kennedy; Jeffrey, Leonox-Roy; Eckford, Kenneth; Dennison, Ormond Melford; Blondeau, James Clare; Beavis, Walter Glen; Story, John Good. 155—Earl, Wallace; Howard, John. 167—Setterington, William Coultis; Livingstone, Herman; Powell, Quintin Joseph. 168—Ross, James. 195—Leonard, George E ; 198—McMurray, John Charles; Daniels, Raymond Sidney; Alexander, John Fleming; Faris, Raymond Alexander. 205—Swan, Eric James.

212—Cook, Wm. Allan; Valder, Emanuel. 215—Sneddon, Godfrey; Ward, Richard Elliott; Hucker, Alan; Simmonds, Gordon John; Stockwell, George; Dixon, Robert. 222—McKnight, David John; Parker, Gerald; McFarlane, John Bruce; Patterson, Rupert Vernon; Heinekey, Gordon Patrick; Stevenson, Trueman Murray; Rees, Michael. 227—Newman, William Arthur; Gibbs, Frank N.; Fournia, Harry Douglas; Hutchinson, Arnold John. 231—McCullough, William George; McClintock, Ellis Lee. 233—Given, Joseph E.; Hall, Eber John; Easson, Grant Mark. 238—Cochran, Albert Jack; Does, Adrian Jacob. 241—Ruderman, Armand Peter. 243—Sinclair, James Levack; Clause, Roy Kenneth. 245—Campbell, John Morris. 250—Flanagan, Beverley; Paget, Donald Max; Henriksen, Lloyd Alrick; Kimmerly, James Albert; Pettit Austin Bernice; Mitchell, Keith Anson; Campeau, Joseph Denis Anthony; King, Anthony Edmund; Price, Harold William. 251—Murdoch, Gilbert Berwood; Neilson, Walter Leopold. 252—Rogers, George Albert; Spiers, William Russell; Tremain, Roy; Thibault, Florian; Whiting, William Henry. 254—Wright, Charles James; Drabot, William Walter. 255—Andrews, George W.; Wilson, Currie Kitchener; Hart, Robert George; McKibbon, H. John; Harvey, Wilbert Ronald; McLuhan, Herbert Arthur; Eckford, Alva C. 260—Blayney, Robert Herbert. 261—McDonald, Frank James.

DEMITTED — 1972

1—McNevin, Douglas; Moore, Reginald Ross. 2—Werthmiller, Werner. 3—Maxwell, Archie McDonald. 4—Lee, Edward Thomas; Court, Douglas Arnold. 6—Tym, Graeme Andrew. 7—Hume, George. 8—McWilliams, John. 16—Bennett, Harold D.; Cowan, Alexander; Simpson, Allan James; Ruffner, B. Winfred; Wilson, Russell; McMullin, Stuart Allan; Ocishaw, John David. 18—Nadalin, Edward F.; Bell, George William. 19—Button, Walter Nelson. 23—Saul, Gordon Earl; Hilson, Percy. 26—Birch, John Maurice; Saigle, Clifton Ernest. 27—Butler, Raymond Maurice; Randall, John; Stephenson, Thomas. 28—Payton, Reverend James Arnold; Wood, Norman Lloyd; Carey, John; Holding, William James. 29—Stevenett, Samuel J.; Lucken, William Edmond. 30—Miller, Clarence Ogle. 31—Fox, Walter. 34—Buffy, Edward Reuben. 35—Bateman, John Gordon; Crawford, James Mark. 36—Little, Alvin Ross; Holmes, William Allen; Bickell, Samuel Maxwell; Wocker, John William; Jones, Arthur Henry; Stock, Gerald Albert. 41—Le Faive, Gerald White; Cornell, Harry Rowan. 44—Poste, Gardiner. 46—McGiveron, Thomas. 48—Hannah, Jackson Donald; Hawkins, John. 53—McDonald, Harold C. 54—Newman, Herbert Frank; Cox, Frederick Wilbar; McCormick, George; Ford, Preston Elwin. 55—Pritchard, George; Garrett, Lionel. 56—Robertson, Floyd. 59—Beach, Raymond George; Birrell, Archibald S. 61—McMullan, J. R. 63—Shewfelt, Wilbert Peter. 64—Hill, William J. A.; Ferguson, James Scott. 65—Robertson, William James; MacKenzie, Donald John. 69—Wilcox, Alden Benjiman. 74—Sigmond, Joseph. 75—Magee, Harold Ross; Brush, Kenneth. 76—Rigby, Clarence Parke; Benson, William Norman; Krstic, Victor. 77—Carter, Godfrey Charles; Williamson, Lawrence Greye; Fitzsimmons, George A. 79—Warren, Leonard George. 83—Dalgleish, Harvey Lind; Dods, James B.; Smith, Alan Arthur. 88—Smith, J. Frank; Harper, Gerald L. 91—Nelson, Harold Neil; Wood, George Greig; Lewis, Rees McCaig; Tripp, Russell A.; Noble, Henry; Johnston, Charles Herbert. 94—Nichols, Elijah Wesley; Taylor, Douglas. 95—Pellow, William Russell; Meikle, Joseph Robert; Fraser, Donald Alexander; Morden, Lloyd Westmount; Tuddenham, Larwill Samuel Eyre; Misener, Ronald Kitchener; Moore, Wilfred Chalmers; Goudoever, Eliga Johannes; Burk, Albert Harold. 102—

Curry, E. H.; Downing, Arthur Cornelious. 103—Bradford, Ervin McL.; Woodburn, John Murray. 104—Henderson, Robert; McKenzie, Wilbert James. 110—Ostrom, Turner Gideon; Armstrong, Bolton Samuel. 112—Casselman, Fred Cecil; Fitzsimmons, Edward. 113—Cousins, William Alfred; Tait, Edwin; Green, Frederick. 15—Weatherston, James Douglas; Gatenby, Robert J. M. 117—Settelen, John Rudolph; Lake, Carl Avard; Judd, Charles Joseph; Mullins, David Kenneth; Jagges, William J.; Stauttener, Wilhelm Jacob; Schreiter, Thomas George; Furtney, Bruce Andrew; Houle, Donald Joseph. 119—Getty, Robert Darrel. 129—Allen, Ernest Scott. 130—Yates, Howard Herman.

131—Bates, Clifford Elwood. 132—Goldup, Frederick William. 133—Scott, Harold Elmer; Chernoff, James Evans ... McCracker, Donald George. 134—Morgan, Claremont S. 135—Urbanski, Stanley Thomas. 138—Hutley, James; Fraser, Robert McKay. 140—Edgar, James Noel; Cunningham, Eldon John. 143—Hunter, Russell M. 145—Chapman, Samuel Edward. 146—Taman, Edward Howell. 147—Grant Peter M. 151—Condie, Gordon; Clauson, Harold J.; Yost, William John; Snow, Rupert Charles; Boyle, Edward Malcolm; Allan, Garnet; Medleu, Jacob Baynard; Collins, Alva Boyd; Achtenberg, Norman; Buthrie, John Erskine. 153—Lee, Donald; Fairbanks, Jay Beverley; Ritchie, Earl McCreary; Stevens, Frederick Raymond; Morrow, Robert John. 155—Hewitson, Robert; Barlow, Ira. 161—Frost, Roy. 167—Hornsby, Herbert; Stoddart, Robert N.; Rankin, Eric James; Campbell, Alexander. 168—Palliser, John George; Yerwood, Adam Bartlett; Baker, William Ward. 175—Ralph, Howard; Kelly, Ross Michael. 195—McLean, Douglas Allan; Wilson, Jack T.; Carpenter, John Edwin; Tomlinson, Horace; McArthur, William Neil; Haslam Stuart; Hord, William George. 198—Patterson, David Alexander; Litster, Leonard John; MacQuarrie, Reginald Bryson. 205—Cuthbertson, John D. H. 212—Gerston, Harry Jules; Bregman, Sidney; Goldhar, Samuel; Solway, Irwin; Yavner, Sydney. 215—Grimmon, James; Evans, Lloyd George; Rands, Bruce Watson; Banks, Harry; McCaskell, Hugh. 221—Neilson, Donald R. 222—Waters, William H.; Templeton, Robert; Salvona, Hugh; Aldred, Alex Tinham; Pickering, Douglas Stephens; Sewell, Ellwood Richard; Thompson, Harsed Edward. 223—Leigh, L. S. 224—Passmore, Richard E. 227—Rollins, John Abner; Empey, Norris Elwood; Bishop, Donald George; MacInnes, Donald Everett. 230—Hartnoll, William. 231—Browne, Ian. 232—McKenzie, Williard Maurice. 233—North, William Glidhall; Canty, Albert H. 234—Brooker, Charles Milton. 235—Clarke, Keith Gordon; Dawson, George Cummings; Gordon, Aubrey James; Shave, James Taylor. 241—Hendrie, John J. 243—Ascot, John Edward. 246—Bagg, George A. R.; Wenborn, John Thomas; Sharpe, Ralph William. 249—Walkey, Howard Earl. 252—Halliley, Reginald; Jackson, Harvey Laverne; Kirk, Russell Harvey. 259—Fraser, Donald G. 260—Thorp, Alfred. 262—Muir, John Edward; Brown, Charles; Young, Robert A. 263— Myers, Marshall; Ough, Emmerson T.; Fitzpatrick, James; Wakefield, Jack Thomas Edward: Dunlop, Roy Anson; Vance, Kenneth; Sharp, Frederick; Bullick, William Harold; Brown, Robert; Manning, Arthur; Smith, Henry Joseph; Slack, George Ernest; Waterhouse, William James; Dain, Henry R.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS AND DISTRICT CHAPTERS

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1

R. Ex. Comp. John Elliott Finley, 612 West Street, Dresden, Ont.

47 Wellington ..... Chatham
71 Prince of Wales ..... Essex
73 Erie ..... Ridgetown
80 Ark ..... Windsor
88 MacNabb ..... Dresden
119 King Cyrus ..... Leamington
153 Sombra ..... Wallaceburg
239 Blenheim ..... Blenheim
250 Thomas Peters ..... Windsor

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2

R. Ex. Comp. Harold F. Bouck, 416 Talfourd St., Sarnia, Ont.

3 St. John's ..... London
5 St. George's ..... London
15 Wawanosh ..... Sarnia
53 Bruce ..... Petrolia
54 Palestine ..... St. Thomas
74 Beaver ..... Strathroy
78 Minnewawa ..... Parkhill
81 Aylmer ..... Aylmer
150 London ..... London
214 Vimy ..... Inwood
238 The St. Andrew ..... London
242 St. Paul's ..... Lambeth
247 Nilestown ..... Nilestown
252 Hiawatha ..... Sarnia

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

R. Ex. Comp. George Llewellyn Nutt, 516 Fair St., Woodstock, Ont.

18 Oxford ..... Woodstock
20 Mount Horeb ..... Brantford
23 Ezra ..... Simcoe
41 Harris ..... Ingersoll
115 Brant ..... Paris
253 Regal ..... Port Dover
255 Tillsonburg ..... Tillsonburg

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4

R. Ex. Comp. John Prentice, 549 Sprucehill Ave., Waterloo, Ont.

32 Waterloo ..... Galt
40 Guelph ..... Guelph
67 Enterprise ..... Palmerston
83 Ionic ..... Orangeville
117 Kitchener ..... Kitchener
218 Prince Edward ..... Shelburne
221 Durham ..... Durham
234 Halton ..... Georgetown
245 Preston ..... Preston

HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 5

R. Ex. Comp. Charles Kenneth Matteson, R.R. #1, Caledonia, Ont.

2 The Hiram ..... Hamilton
6 St. John's ..... Hamilton
75 St. Clair ..... Milton
104 White Oak ..... Oakville
155 Ancaster ..... Ancaster
175 The Hamilton ..... Hamilton
224 Keystone ..... Hamilton
236 Caledonia ..... Caledonia
243 McKay ..... Stoney Creek
262 King David ..... Burlington

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

R. Ex. Comp. Bertie Allan Mennie, 281 Water St., Stratford, Ont.

24 Tecumseh ..... Stratford
30 Huron ..... Goderich
46 St. James ..... St. Marys
63 Havelock ..... Kincardine
66 The Malloch ..... Seaforth
84 Lebanon ..... Wingham
129 Elliott ..... Mitchell
146 Bernard ..... Listowel
147 Lucknow ..... Lucknow

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7

R. Ex. Comp. Ernest Alfred Staines, 426 Dorchester St., Box 966, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

19 Mount Moriah . St. Catharines
29 McCallum .....Dunnville
55 Niagara . Niagara-on-the-Lake
57 King Hiram ..... Port Colborne
64 Willson .....Welland
69 Grimsby .....Grimsby
76 Mount Nebo ... Niagara Falls
184 Hugh Murray .....Fort Erie N.
240 Smithville ..... Smithville

TORONTO EAST No. 8

R. Ex. Comp. Douglas Mathew Tozer, 173 Florence Ave., Willowdale, Ont. M2N 1G5

4 St. Andrew & St. John Toronto
8 King Solomon ..... Toronto
62 York .....Leaside
79 Orient ..... Toronto
135 Succoth ..... Uxbridge
145 The St. Patrick .....Thornhill
205 Victoria .....Thornhill
217 St. Alban's .....Thornhill
225 Beaver .....Toronto
235 Aurora ..... Aurora
241 University .....Thornhill
258 Tyrian ..... Stouffville
263 The Scarborough, Scarborough

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 8A

R. Ex. Comp. Chrys. J. Lewis, 1511 Myron Dr., Mississauga, Ont. L5E 2N5

77 Occident ..... Toronto
91 Toronto-Antiquity .....Toronto
138 Shekinah .....Toronto
195 Peel .....Brampton
212 Mount Sinai .....Leaside
215 Mimico ..... Mimico
219 Ulster ..... Scarborough
220 Lebanon .....Etobicoke
230 Port Credit ..... Port Credit
231 The St. Clair ... Richmond Hill
232 King Cyrus .....Toronto
233 Oakwood .....Leaside
246 Humber ..... Weston
260 Centennial ..... Streetsville

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9

R. Ex. Comp. James Alfred Kilsby, 127 Minnesota St., Collingwood, Ont.

27 Manitou .....Collingwood
34 Signet ..... Barrie
56 Georgian ..... Owen Sound
130 Chantry .....Southampton
131 Amabel .....Wiarton
167 Kichikewana .....Midland
198 Couchiching ..... Orillia
261 Seguin ..... Parry Sound

ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 10

R. Ex. Comp. Jack Meier, Box 293, Campbellford, Ont.

28 Pentalpha ..... Oshawa
35 Keystone ..... Whitby
36 Corinthian ..... Peterborough
37 Victoria .....Port Hope
45 Excelsior .....Colborne
48 St. John's .....Cobourg
94 Midland .....Lindsay
110 Warkworth .....Warkworth
134 King Darius ..... Cannington
168 Ionic .....Campbellford
249 Palestine .....Bowmanville

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

R. Ex. Comp. Ernest Lloyd Goodman, 309 Bleecker Ave., Belleville, Ont.

7 The Moira ..... Belleville
26 St. Mark's ..... Trenton
31 Prince Edward ..... Picton
44 Mount Sinai ..... Napanee
72 Keystone ..... Stirling
144 Presqu'ile ..... Brighton
161 Madoc ..... Madoc
227 Quinte Friendship ... Belleville

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

R. Ex. Comp. Robert Keith Laushway, R.R. #1, Prescott, Ont.

1 Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui ..... Kingston
22 Grenville ..... Prescott
59 Sussex-St. Lawrence Brockville
68 Maitland ..... Kemptville
112 St. John's ..... Morrisburg
113 Covenant ..... Cornwall
132 Leeds ..... Gananoque

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

R. Ex. Comp. Dieter Ralf Jeschor, 228 Blair St., P.O. Box 411, Carleton Place, Ont. K0A 1J0

16 Carleton ..... Ottawa
61 Granite ..... Almonte
114 Bonnechere ..... Renfrew
116 Maple ..... Carleton Place
133 St. Francis ..... Smiths Falls
143 Glengarry ..... Maxville
148 St. John's ..... Vankleek Hill
151 Laurentian ..... Pembroke
210 Kitchener ..... Russell
222 Ottawa ..... Ottawa
226 Prince of Wales ..... Perth
248 Dochert ..... Arnprior

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

R. Ex. Comp. Wilfred George Sanders, 406 Church St., Fort Frances, Ont. P9A 1E2

82 Shuniah ..... Port Arthur
90 Golden ..... Kenora
140 Fort William ..... Fort William
149 Atwood ..... Rainy River
152 Alberton ..... Fort Frances
254 Golden Star ..... Dryden
259 Quetico ..... Atikokan

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

R. Ex. Comp. Frederick John Gammon, 205 Parsons Ave., North Bay, Ont.

95 Tuscan ..... Sudbury
102 Algonquin .... Sault Ste. Marie
103 St. John's ..... North Bay
257 Espanola ..... Espanola

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

R. Ex. Comp. Wallace F. G. Layte, General Delivery, Iroquois Falls, Ont. P0K 1E0

169 Temiskaming ..... Haileybury
213 Northern Lights ..... Timmins
223 Abitibi ..... Iroquois Falls
251 Kirkland ..... Kirkland Lake

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1 Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui—Ex. Comp. C. M. Peters, 648 Truman Drive, Kingston.

2 The Hiram—Ex. Comp. William Guy, 1325 Pinegrove Road, Oakville.

3 St. Johns—Ex. Comp. J. P. Smuck, 227 Cathcart Street, Apt. 206, London.

4 St. Andrew and St. John—Ex. Comp. J. C. Lyttle, Rodney

5 St. George's—Ex. Comp. James Harold Jackson, R.R. 2, Denfield N0M 1P0.

6 St. John's—Ex. Comp. Henry Donald House, 21 East Avenue North, Hamilton.

7 Moira—Ex. Comp. Frank R. Rodgers, 52 Tracey Street, Belleville.

8 King Solomon's—Ex. Comp. William Dobinson, 62 Donlands Avenue, Toronto 6.

15 Wawanosh—Ex. Comp. Robt. J. Gabriel, 1180 Marcin Road, Sarnia.

16 Carleton—Ex. Comp. Henry Loewen, 2214 Melfort Street, Ottawa.

18 Oxford—Ex. Comp. Arthur H. Young, 851 Grosvenor Street, Woodstock.

19 Mount Moriah—Ex. Comp. Horace D. Gray, 34 Edith Street, St. Catharines.

20 Mount Horeb—Ex. Comp. John Alan Hetherington, R.R. 7, Brantford.

22 Grenville—Ex. Comp. L. O. Walker, Prescott.

23 Ezra—Ex. Comp. James William Moore, R.R. 2, Simcoe.

24 Tecumseh—Ex. Comp. S. C. Wendland, 299 Blendon Road, Stratford.

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*Wm. N. Ponton	1919-20
*H. S. Griffin, M.D.	1921
*Richard H. Spencer	1922-3
*Walter H. Davis	1924-5
*Kenneth J. Dunstan	1926-7
*Edwin Smith	1928-9
*Walter G. Price, D.D.S.	1930-1
*Chas. W. Haentschel, M.D.	1932-3
*Alexander Cowan	1934
*George L. Gardiner	1935-6
*Wm. Y. Mills	1937-8
*Llewellyn F. Stephens	1939-40
*John M. Empey	1941-2
John M. Burden	1943-4
*Reginald V. Conover	1945-6
*Frederick W. Dean	1947-8
*Clarence MacL. Pitts	1949-50
Alexander G. N. Bradshaw	1951-2
*John A. M. Taylor	1953-4
John L. House	1955-6
*Maurice A. Searle	1957-8
Bruce H. Smith	1959-60
Charles W. Emmett	1961-2
Fraser Hay, M.D.	1963-4
James E. Girven	1965-6
*Stanley Portch	1967-8
G. Harold Shannon	1969
Frederick W. D. Welham	1970-1
Leo J. Gent	1972-73

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*Kivas Tully	1891
*Hugh Murray	1903
*Harry H. Watson	1909
*E. T. Malone	1919
*A. T. Freed	1920
*Sir John M. Gibson	1922
*Roderick B. Dargavel	1941
*Melville S. Gooderham	1957
*Reginald J. Lewis	1964

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R. Ex. Comp. Sir George Boag, England—Hon. Past Grand Supt. 1958.
*R. Ex. Comp. William A. Laird, Scotland—Hon. Past Grand Scribe E., 1958.
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*R. P. Stephens	1874-1875
*Daniel Spry	1876-1877
*David McLellan	1878-1891
*Thomas Sargent	1892-1898
*George J. Bennett	1899-1915
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*Edwin Smith	1929-1949
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CAPITULAR REVIEW

ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS

ALABAMA

M. Ex. Comp. Charles L. Campbell, G.H.P.

41 Chapters, 10,963 Members.

The One Hundred and Forty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of Alabama, was held in the ballroom of the Ramada Inn Motel, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, on February 14, 1972.

At the beginning of this year the Grand High Priest, M. Ex. Comp. Campbell, set forth three goals that he felt he would like to accomplish in order to achieve his objective.

1. Every Chapter increase membership. (Work on re-instatements and new membership).

2. Visit every chapter personally or have a Grand representative visit you.

3. Have every Royal Arch Chapter in Alabama ACTIVE.

State of the Craft Report—"Although we showed another loss in our membership this year, a net loss of 89, I still feel that the overall interest in Capitular Masonry in Alabama is good. Seventy-five per cent of the chapters that have a common home or basically common membership with a Council and a Commandery have shown better performance than an average Alabama Chapter over the past five years. The term average chapter is based on the percentage loss in Capitular Masonry in Alabama during this five year period. Since chapters operating by themselves or connected with a Council or Commandery only have fared considerably worse in every category, I cannot help but feel that this program of York Rite Unity will benefit Capitular Masonry in Alabama. I know that it will take time to reap the benefits of such a program but am confident that during the years of the companions who served on this committee, solutions to many of our existing problems will be found."

This Grand Chapter has one Committee in it which we have not come across in any of the other proceedings which we have had the privilege to read and it is called "The Committee on Masonry and American Citizenship".

Report of Committee on Work—"There have been no Schools of Instruction held during the past year under the auspices of this committee. There have been no requests made to this committee for help in conferring the degrees or for instruction in the reading or interpretation of the Ritual."

ALBERTA

M. Ex. Comp. Cecil Duthie, G.F.P.

32 Chapters, 3,348 Members.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta was held in Calgary, Alberta, on May 12 and 13, 1972.

Observation and Conclusion from the Grand First Principal's Address—"One of the most pleasing duties a Grand Officer has to do is to visit your Chapter. He notices the efficiency of your Scribe E. and the Officers. Also the so called 'Faithful Few', without which a Chapter cannot operate successfully. There is room for a few more in every Chapter.

Your reception is sincere and pleasing, the friendly attitude of your members is greatly appreciated.

Just such an organization as any Mason would like to be a part of.

We need them and their enthusiasm. As the saying goes, you are supplied with all the tools necessary, just the Spirit to use them is what is necessary. Are we not too prone to sit back and wonder what is wrong with Masonry, when we should be thinking, what is right right about it.

Our Lodges and Chapters have withstood the trials for many ages now, and will be what they are for many more. It is still a beautiful System of Morality, veiled in Allegory and illustrated by Symbols."

Report on the Legislative Committee on Incorporation—"At the Grand Convocation in 1971, (see 1971 proceedings, page 35) the Committee was authorized to consider the merits of incorporation by way of Legislative Act, or under the Companies Act of Alberta; to make or undertake reasonable expenditures therefore and report to the Grand Council, who were empowered to proceed thereon.

We are pleased to report as follows: After diligent exploration and Legal advice it was deemed expedient to proceed by way of Legislative Act. Accordingly a draft Act has been prepared and submitted to the Grand Council. Furthermore it has been discussed with the Grand Master of Alberta and some of his officers in an informal manner and there gained the nod of approval."

Recommendations of the Property Committee—

1. "That only elective officers be invested with Grand Chapter Regalia."

2. "At the present time our Grand Scribe E. receives a great many copies of the Proceedings from other Grand Jurisdictions, to be passed on to their Grand Representatives within our Grand Jurisdiction. We would suggest that these be assembled in the Grand Scribe E.'s office into Grand Superintendent's Districts and be taken to the District Meetings for distribution. The Grand Representative then to review the Proceedings from the Jurisdictions he represents and forward a copy of his review to the Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence."

ARIZONA

M. Ex. Comp. Olin E. Lehman, G.H.P.

16 Chapters, 2,320 Members.

The Eighty-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona was held in the Masonic Temple at Chandler, Arizona, October 26, 1971.

One of the first things we noticed when opening this Proceedings was that the report of the Grand Chapter is in the back of the book following the Grand Commandery and the Grand Council.

It is a pleasure to report that this Grand Chapter had a net gain of 38 members. Ten Chapters showed gains, two remained even, while four showed losses.

It is also a pleasure to report that a new Chapter was constituted at Parker, Arizona, on November 19.

The Seventh Annual Four Corners Royal Arch Festival was held on October 2, 1971. There were 12 candidates from Arizona, 4 from New Mexico, 2 from Utah and one from Colorado. Degree work was conferred by New Mexico—Mark Master; Colorado—Past Master; Utah —Most Excellent Master; Arizona—Royal Arch.

Finally we would like to quote a poem used by the Grand High Priest in his Address:

"Teach me, Lord, to do the best I can
To help and cheer my fellow man;
Each day to do some friendly deed
To those I find in greater need.
To smooth the road and light the day
For all who chance to pass my way;
And may I ever grateful be
To Him who daily blesses me." — S. E. Stairs.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

M. Ex. Comp. Alan E. Fleetham

42 Chapters, 5,217 Members

The Fifty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia with jurisdiction over the Yukon Territories was held in the Masonic Temple, Fishgard Street, Victoria, on June 11, 1971.

Some years ago Yukon Chapter was originally under the Grand Chapter of Canada, but now the Grand Chapter of British Columbia has jurisdiction over the Yukon Territories, and it was at this the Fifty-third Convocation, that Yukon Chapter No. 38 presented a Flag of the Yukon Territory to this Grand Convocation.

There were several applicants who were selected by the Royal Arch Scholarship Committee to receive cheques from the Grand Treasurer to further their education.

In the Report of the Committee on the Grand Z.'s address, it states: "We regret to note that in certain areas, 'the erosion in the practises of

our philosophy is apparent and that the absence of proper guidance for this factor is worthy of mention'. Such a statement requires serious consideration and study by the next Grand Z. and Grand Superintendents in order to provide the necessary guidance and instruction to the constituent Chapters."

BRITISH COLUMBIA

M. Ex. Comp. Charles F. Armstrong, G.F.P.

42 Chapters, 5,312 Members.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia with jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory was held at Penticton on Friday, June 16th, 1972.

It is interesting to report that awards of several hundred dollars to students desiring assistance in order to go on to University were granted by the Grand Chapter of British Columbia during the past year.

This Grand Chapter not having a jewel to present to members on the occasion of their attaining 50 years of membership in the Royal Craft, they had a 50-year jewel struck and the die for the jewel was loaned to the Grand Chapter for its use, after which 12 50-year jewels were presented to 50-year members.

The Board of General Purposes held 4 meetings for the purpose of discussing business pertinent to the Royal Craft in British Columbia.

CALIFORNIA

M. Ex. Frederick Wilder Jones, G.H.P.

119 Chapters, 28,963 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California was held in the Masonic Temple, Sacramento, on Monday and Tuesday, April 19 and 20, 1971.

At the last Convocation, that is in 1970, a fifty cent increase per capita tax was voted in and in the Grand Chapter Financial Report it was more than enough to meet their 1970-1971 expenses, even though there was a decrease in membership during the year.

In the Report of the Grand Lecturer, he states "Inspectors and Officer Coaches are not always conducive to good chapter relationship nor to an intimate knowledge of their respective duties. Inspectors and Coaches should not only know the Ritual Work, but also the meaning of the words and language used, and should understand the lessons intended to be taught; and should be able to teach and convey them in such a manner as will bring out clearly the meaning of the lessons. To assist in accomplishing these results, Inspectors have available to them the knowledge and experience of the Deputy Grand Lecturers in their respective Districts. Inasmuch as the Deputy Grand Lecturers oversee the Work in a number of Districts in their Departments, they can only accomplish their purpose with the complete cooperation of Inspectors and Chapter Officers. My best advice is that all Inspectors and Chapter Coaches should at all times adhere to the words and floorwork precisely as set forth in the Ritual; as interpreted by the Grand Lecturers Department, and to avoid every inclination to substitute their own words and floorwork."

COLORADO

M. Ex. Comp. A. Lynn Sanburg, G.H.P.

51 Chapters, 5,458 Members.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado was held at Denver, Colorado, on January 26th, 1972.

The Grand Lecturer reports "Many of our Chapters are fast reaching the point of NO RETURN to an active Chapter. The average age of the membership is fast going up and with few signs of younger prospects in the future. The Symbolic Lodge is faced with the same problem.

I recently visited a Chapter with a membership of 33, with 24 resident members. Only two were under 70 years of age, the oldest 95, most of the members are in the 75 to 82 year bracket. Their Blue Lodge raised 4 in the past three years, all well above middle age.

The world has undergone a big change in the past 15 years as to customs, habits and thinking. Ask a young man what Masonry is, and what it stands for, what it is doing, and what are the qualifications for membership. If he has any ideas at all you may get some weird answers. One young school teacher said 'A candidate must be able to write and deliver, before the members, a paper or oration'.

Masonry has undergone but little change in this period. Are we following the Ancient Land Marks so carefully that we are killing ourselves, due to lack of knowledge by the public about the Craft? Are we covering our Masonic Light with a basket, so tightly that no one can see its rays and is the voice of the True Word so faint that it cannot be heard?

The young men of today are living in a new world, the Atomic and see Mars age, and are not interested in an organization they know little about. Why can't we tell them the true story about Masonry, what is it, what it stands for, that it is as alive today, in this modern world, as are our laws, and make a public stand on some of the moral issues of today!"

The Promotional Committee in their remarks say "Royal Arch Promotion certainly left a great deal to be desired in many areas, particularly in the Denver Area, — Seemingly for promotion activities. Areas outside of Denver had good results with their programs and their returns indicate that the proof of the pudding is in the eating.

The Officers Line and the High Priest are the main source of promotion activities. To carry a man through the chairs in the hope that when he becomes High Priest, he will provide inspirational leadership is like betting on a horse with a poor track record. In the latter you are throwing your money away. In the former you are killing your organization. Promotion is local in its efforts and must be a continuing process. To promote you must display your product. Only the individual Chapter can do this."

A Seventh Annual Four Corners Royal Arch Festival was held on October 10. "All the work was very well presented and those taking parts in the degrees are to be congratulated. The Ladies present were entertained at a luncheon, and taken on a tour of the Glen Canon Dam and the power plants. About 220 Companions and Ladies attended the Dinner. After the Dinner, the Royal Arch Widow degree was presented by the Companions from Globe Chapter No. 7 of Arizona."

CONNECTICUT

Rt. Ex. Comp. Cecil H. Grant, Acting G.H.P.

44 Chapters, 7,416 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventy-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Hartford, May 15, 1971.

The Report of the Committee on Delinquencies state "that the penalty of the stated fine for failure to submit its Annual Return before the closing date of April 5, 1971, be levied on Darius Chapter No. 16.

That the penalty of the stated fine for non-attendance at this Annual Convocation be levied on Meridian Chapter No. 15, Darius Chapter No. 16 and Triune Chapter No. 40."

In the back of the proceedings is a list of every Chapter in the Grand Jurisdiction with a list of the officers, also Past High Priests as well as candidates Exalted, Reinstated, Demitted, struck from Roll re non payment of dues, also the deaths.

They also have a Schedule of Visitations by Grand Chapter Officers. Each Officer from the Deputy Grand High Priest down to the Grand Master of the First Veil have a certain number of chapters which they are required to visit. Also each Grand Officer submits a report of his activities with regard to Royal Arch Masonry such as visits, installations, etc.

Early in the year this Grand Chapter suffered a great loss in the death of their Grand High Priest on January 18th. Consequently, the lot fell on R. Ex. Comp. Cecil H. Grant to be the acting Grand High Priest for the remainder of the year.

Report of the Condition of the Rite:

"There are many diverse opinions about the lukewarm condition of Capitular Masonry and the remedy therefor which could be debated. However, the conditions as set forth below would, I believe, receive no challenge:

(a) Attendance at Stated Convocations is generally poor.

(b) The average of the Companions present could be classified as elderly. Young men are the exception.

(c) Degree work, in most Chapters, is infrequent and when no degree work is held, there is generally no appealing program."

DELAWARE

M. Ex. Comp. Lawrence B. Jones, G.H.P.

6 Chapters, 797 Members.

The One Hundred and Third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Delaware was held in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware, on Saturday, January 16th, 1971.

In the Report of the Committee on Education, we found this to be a most interesting report and felt that it was worth sharing with our membership, so we reprint it here in its entirety.

"To the Capitular Mason the value of Masonic study is most apparent, and certainly appreciated, and we are definitely charged to pass this Masonic knowledge on to others, who may be less informed.

To many Capitular Masons the most intriguing symbol of Freemasonry is the Triangle. We do not recall any mention of a triangle in the work of the Craft degrees, and yet we cannot overlook the arrangement of the 'three lesser lights', the location of the three principal officers, and other esoteric symbolism. Craft Masonry is built around the 'cube' which is the symbolism of perfection in physical or material things.

Over a century ago, the Forty-seventh Problem of Euclid was worn by Grand Masters as a symbol of their office. This was a triangle symbol, although not the equal sided and angled equilateral triangle.

Whereas Symbolic Freemasonry concerns itself with 'material things', Capitular Freemasonry concerns spiritual things and uses as its principal emblem the Triangle. Now spiritual perfection is not granted to man in this world so that the Triangle becomes the emblem of the one living and eternal Jehovah.

But the use of the Triangle has not always been true. In the days long gone there was a triangle in the centre of each lodge, a triangle formed by lights, within which was the Volume of the Sacred Law, opened at the Gospel of St. John and displaying the words:

'In the beginning was the Word.'

The triangle is found variously arranged throughout Masonic systems. In one instance we have the interlaced triangles, one black, the other white, the white triangle has its point up; the black triangle points down. Thus arranged it represents the union of the active and passive forces in nature; it represents the male and female elements. The interlaced black and white triangles represent the forces of darkness and light, error and truth, ignorance and wisdom and good and evil; when properly placed they represent balance and harmony.

The ancients called the triangle the Delta. It became the initial letter of Deity, its three different sides representing the Eternal, all Powerful and Self Existing being — as we say in the Royal Arch, 'Omnipresent, Omnipotent and Omniscient'.

The triangle is one of the most ancient of symbols; it is also the most perfect symbol. From this grows the feeling that the true word is one of three syllables.

There is a tradition among Freemasons that the three founders of the Ancient Craft were in possession of certain words and secrets which were not to be given to the craft until the Temple had been completed, and that by agreement between the three, these secrets could only be revealed when all three were present and had agreed so to do.

The tradition is continued in the Royal Arch degree, and a trace of it exists in certain esoteric sections of the degree of Royal Master. It is quite generally believed that the secret which they were concealing was the secret of the Triangle, now known as the 47th Problem of

Euclid. There are others, students of symbolism, who see in the equal sided triangle, the symbol of harmony, or the well balanced life. To these, the three sides represent, Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty. The Royal Arch Mason sees only the perfect triangle of three sides and three angles. He strives to build his life so that Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty may be in equal proportion, that he may become one of the perfect stones in the life spiritual."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

M. Ex. Comp. William B. Craig, G.H.P.

8 Chapters, 2,558 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia was held at the Hotel Washington, D.C., on March 4th, 1972.

Under the heading of Grand Visitor and Lecturer, Ex. Comp. John M. Bussler submitted a detailed report outlining the existing conditions in the several chapters and presented a number of worthwhile suggestions designed to correct the situations.

In the Grand High Priest's address under the heading of State of the Craft we quote "I deeply regret that I must report the continued decline in membership of this Grand Chapter, as have my predecessors for 20 years. There are, however, some bright spots. Several of our Chapters have consistently attracted good attendance at their Convocations by having well planned and advertised meetings. One Chapter continues to show a net gain in membership each year, and one other Chapter is certainly to be commended for stimulating interest this year, lifting it from the depressed state of its two previous years.

A little over 13 months ago, I stated that as Grand High Priest I would set as my Objective: To have the members of this Grand Chapter "Start to think — in quantitative terms — and in a systematic way — about the status of Freemasonry in the District of Columbia during the decade of the 70's."

The key word in this statement is "Start" and the key phrase, in my opinion, is "Start to Think". I was not so optimistic as to believe that we would, in one short year, do all that was necessary to solve our problems, but my aim was that we would make a "Start". It was my hope that we would assemble the available resources of our fraternity; that is, the talent, information and the necessary time, to begin to study the problem in a new way. As a beginning, I thought we should assemble the basic information available to us about our membership. As a minimum short range goal, I requested that our Chapter furnish two facts about their membership; Birth Dates and Zip Codes of residence of our members. With this most elementary information we could, as a beginning, determine the age of distribution of our Chapters and the distribution of residences of Zip Code. I'm sorry to report that I have received the requested information from only five of our eight Chapters. But this IS a start. We have started to form a date base upon which we can evaluate, in a quantitative way, and by applying modern techniques, to make reasonable forecasts of our probable future situation. In so doing, we should be able to indicate possible courses of action and make evaluations that would lead to decisions for specific actions which might alleviate our problems in the District of Columbia."

FLORIDA

M. Ex. Comp. Walter Henry Winchester, M.D., G.H.P.

43 Chapters, 9,827 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida was held at Port St. Lucie, on May 17 and 18, 1972.

It is interesting to note that over the past year in this Grand jurisdiction they show a net gain of 108.

From the Report of the Grand High Priest under the heading of THE FUTURE OF YORK RITE IN FLORIDA, we quote: 'The Grand Chapter has a great future in Florida, and especially the Grand Lodge. We are now in the final third of the 20th century than we are to be beginning of World War II. By the year 2000, Florida will have more than 15 million persons, including more than a million by age eligible for the Order of DeMolay. Our job now is to continue to plow the ground — to fertilize it — to find new methods of cultivation — to develop new ways of harvesting the products of Masonry. This will require hard work and dedication and time and personal effort. We must be teaching the teachers of tomorrow. We must keep the flame burning, that the world may be ignited by the light that will guide us over rocky roads, out of the murky present, out of the depths of despair of those who would cry we are failing. There can be no coasting. We cannot ride the coat tails of others who have gone before. Little details like professional sports for those who are spectator minded, and the eternal trivia that faces us nightly, and daily on the television will not disturb the nucleus of those dedicated quarrymen. Eventually big men will realize that the spiritual and moral benefits from a world turning from pleasure-seeking, materialistic-minded little men will conquer. You are the ones to keep that ultimate goal alive — reachable. Only as we continue to study the past, learn from its mistakes, and digest the facts, can we plan for the future and grow. I believe that we will continue to grow, and have great faith that we will. The slogan this past year will always be a good guide to our accomplishments in the future.

'When you are through learning — you are through'."

This being their 125th Annual Convocation, the Grand High Priest felt that a little bit of history might be pertinent. On January 11, 1847, in Tallahassee representatives of three Chapters namely Florida Chapter No. 32 of Tallahassee; Magnolia Chapter No. 16 from Appalachicola, and Florida Chapter No. 4 from St. Augustine being the requisite number of Chapters present, i.e. three, selected a committee to draw up a constitution. On January 14th the committee met again and adopted the constitution. On January 18 of the same year they met again and elected their officers, who included Thomas Douglass as Grand High Priest.

The Report of Committee on Youth states "The Youth of this State is the only possible place for us to look for our future leaders, both Masonically and commercially. If we do not give the necessary time to the guidance and education of our youth, where will we be in the future when we can no longer lead ourselves?"

GEORGIA

M. Ex. Comp. Graydon W. Kitchens, G.H.P.

127 Chapters, 25,721 Members.

The One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Georgia was held in the City of Macon, April 19, 20, 1972.

A very extensive renovation programme was started many months ago on the Temple in which the Grand Chapter meets and the building Committee were happy to report that the Temple was completed within the time limit authorized.

This Grand jurisdiction has amongst its many undertakings a program which they sponsor called the Juvenile Court Judges Seminar. This is a two day affair in which Juvenile Judges of the State of Georgia are invited to a discussion with reference to Youth Work particularly in the field of Juvenile Rehabilitation. Very able and eminent Judges, professors of law or medicine are attained as faculty for the workshop.

In the address of the Grand High Priest under some of his recommendations he states: "The question of territorial jurisdiction has always been a thorn in the side of the Grand Chapter. Laws governing the jurisdiction of the Chapters have been changed many times over the years. Under our present code a candidate is required to petition the Chapter nearest his residence, with the exception of the Atlanta area where concurrent jurisdiction prevails within ten miles of the center of the city.

In my opinion our present system encourages apathy in many of our smaller Chapters, and is one of the causes of our continued loss in membership. The thought seems to prevail that since the potential candidates who live in the jurisdiction of a Chapter cannot petition any other Chapter, it is unnecessary to make any efforts to secure their petitions.

Many of our Chapters do not meet regularly. These Chapters, almost without exception, are showing continued losses. And make no mistake Companions, the members of the Lodges in your area know the condition of your Chapter, and are not very eager to join a dead organization. The Chapters which are showing gains in membership usually have one or more members who are active in the Lodge as well as the Chapter, and these members are bringing in the petitions. One Lodge in Georgia last year raised 26, and all 26 petitioned the Chapter. I realize that this is a very exceptional case, but it shows what can be done."

GERMANY

M. Ex. Comp. Thomas H. Russ, G.H.P.

13 Chapters, 1,209 Members.

The Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Germany was held at Heidelberg, Germany, on May 1, 1971.

Of the thirteen Chapters which make up this Grand Chapter, two are outside of Germany, one in Dhahran, Arabia, and one in Vienna, Austria.

The Chapters confer the degrees in English, but I read in the Grand High Priest's Address that they are planning to form a German-speaking Chapter in the Zweibrueken area, with the idea that the German speaking companions in the area form a degree team so that they may confer the degrees on German speaking candidates.

In the relatively short time that this Grand Chapter has been in existence, they have according to the Grand Secretary's Report experienced 72 suspensions for the preceding year and 96 suspensions for the present year. He states, and we quote "Frankly, Companions, we are suspending ourselves right out of business."

Another point of interest is that the hour which they convene was reported to be 0940 and that they were open to transact business at 1000 hours. This is the first time we noticed the time referred to in military terms.

IDAHO

M. Ex. Comp. Blythe Clemons, G.H.P.

20 Chapters, 2,605 Members.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Idaho was held in the Masonic Temple, at Boise, Idaho, on May 24th, 1972.

This year the Grand Historian wrote a most interesting and comprehensive history of one of the constituent chapters from its beginning, the chapter in question being Blackfoot Chapter No. 23, R.A.M.

In the Report of the Grand Lecturer we quote "The Most Excellent Grand High Priest and the Grand Lecturer agreed to hold a joint meeting of all the officers. As a result the annual meeting of the Grand Lecturers and Deputies was turned into a workshop. To facilitate this the M.E. Grand High Priest issued a call of all his officers to meet in Boise on October 9, 1971. The meeting was divided into two parts: the first was a seminar on human motivations which concluded with an address by the Grand High Priest. The afternoon was given over to small sized groups for discussion. The workshop concluded with general comments from all. It was the general opinion the meeting was worthwhile and should be held again next year.

Generally the work of the various Chapters over the state has improved somewhat. Attendance also is up a little. It is hoped the various attractions asking for men's time have caused the Companions to conclude York Rite Masonry is the greater in personal returns."

INDIANA

M. Ex. Comp. Harrison B. Williams, G.H.P.

88 Chapters, 19,376 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana was held in the Holiday Inn, Terre Haute, on April 21st, 1972.

A section of the proceedings referred to as the Condensed History of the Grand Chapter of Indiana which has been compiled by Robert A. Woods, P.G.H.P., makes most interesting reading because it traces

the Grand Chapter of Indiana from its birth through trying times up to the present.

Also of interest a numerical order of the Indiana Chapter Active and Dead gives information such as dates of dispensation, dates chartered, if consolidated with another chapter and much more information of interest.

A resolution was submitted at this Grand Convocation that in order to have better communication between Constituent Chapters and the Grand Chapter, the state be divided into nine (9) Arches or Battalions, each Arch or Battalion should consist of one or more Districts. The District shall be supervised by an Excellent Companion known as a District Deputy Grand High Priest.

We have read in several places throughout the proceedings reference being made to a Short Form opening, and in the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, one of the items to be decided on at the Grand Convocation in 1973 will be the recommendation regarding the Short Form Opening.

IOWA

M. Ex. Comp. William S. Burnquist, G.H.P.

82 Chapters, 13,165 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, was held in the Masonic Temple, Fort Dodge, Iowa, on April 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1971.

In the preliminary report of the Jurisprudence Committee, they made among others two resolutions, one regarding a scholarship of $500.00 to a high school graduate who is a member of the Order of DeMolay, also a $500.00 scholarship to a deserving high school graduate member of the Order of Rainbow.

It was reported that it appears that most of the candidates going into Royal Arch Masonry in Iowa were between the ages of 30 and 40, with the youngest being 21 and the oldest being 75. It goes on to say regardless of the new candidates' ages, all members are getting along in age each year and part of the task is getting new members to replace those that pass away each year.

This Grand Chapter is very enthusiastic in regards to Festivals and last fall there were ten held, one taking place in each district.

In the Report of the Grand Secretary, he says "We rejoice that so many of our members have maintained their membership for more than 50 years. In the fiscal year just ended more than 100 companions joined this exceptional group. On January 1, 1921, we had a membership of 20,778, and during that year 2,657 were exalted, admitted and reinstated. A substantial increase in 50 year members may be expected in the new fiscal year.

While the number of companions whose dues were remitted may seem large, we commend those chapters which have seen fit to practice those lessons taught to us."

In concluding my remarks regarding the Grand Chapter of Iowa, it is noted that the installation of the Grand Officers is a Public Ceremony at which the ladies and their guests were invited to enter the chapter room.

IOWA

M. Ex. Comp. Marion L. Charlton, G.H.P.

82 Chapters, 12,820 Members.

The One Hundred and Sixteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Iowa was held in the Masonic Temple, Des Moines, Iowa, on April 6, 7, 8, 1972.

The Grand Master of Iowa, M.W. Bro. Woodrow W. Morris, was present at this Grand Convocation by invitation of the Grand High Priest. The Grand Master was asked to speak and gave a most interesting talk in which he drew many parallels with the Grand Chapter to the Grand Lodge.

In the Report of the Grand Secretary under the heading of Consolidation we quote "We appear to be entering a period of consolidations, and realize fewer but stronger and more active Chapters will promote the Royal Arch in Iowa."

In a portion of the Grand High Priest's address under Condition of the Craft he states "The lack of communication between the constituent chapters and the Craft has been one of the sources of the downward trend. The lack of preparation for festivals has been obvious to the Candidates as well as to those who have travelled many miles to visit."

"Dedication and work are the only solutions to our problem."

During the Installation Ceremony the District Deputy Grand High Priests were presented for installation. Each was invested with his apron and jewel of office, admonished to honorably discharge the duties of his office and conducted to a seat in the northeast of the Chapter.

"It ain't the individual
Or the army as a whole,
But the everlasting teamwork
Of every blooming Soul."
Rudyard Kipling.

IRELAND

M. Ex. and Supreme Sydney Hanna, Grand King.

398 Chapters, ? Members.

The Stated Convocations of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland are held at Freemason's Hall, Dublin, on the first Wednesday, in the months of February, May and November, and the third Wednesday in June.

It is interesting to read this Annual Report from Ireland, first of all it is entirely different in its make-up compared to the most that we read.

It is composed of District Grand Royal Arch Chapters with a M. Ex. District Grand King as its head, and each of these District Grand Kings have submitted for printing in the Annual proceedings the report of their activities during the past year. There are several Districts in South Africa which come directly under the Supreme Grand Chapter of Ireland. In the list of chapters there are some which send in payments from New Zealand and Australia.

In the Report of the District Grand Chapter of Antrim, he writes "Two-thirds of the total number of Chapters in the District of Antrim meet in Belfast, and this report is being written at a time when these Chapters are endeavouring to carry on as normally as possible in very trying conditions. The serious state of affairs in the city makes Companions very loath to be out of their homes at night, and the bomb attacks by terrorists on two of our Masonic Halls, together with the uncertainty regarding public transport at night, have aggravated the situation."

"I have now come to the end of yet another report on the affairs of District Grand Chapter, and I am very sorry indeed that I should be having to write it at a time when violence, robbery and wanton destruction to property are all too commonplace.

Such disregard for human life and for law and order must be abhorrent to every right-thinking person, and now, more than ever, it behooves us who are privileged to be Royal Arch Masons to keep constantly before us the great principles of Freemasonry, and to do our utmost to embody them in our every day way of living."

KANSAS

M. Ex. Comp. Charles S. McGinness, G.H.P.

88 Chapters, 13,114 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas was held in the Masonic Temple in Salina, Kansas, March 3rd, 1972.

We cannot help but mention here of the outstanding contribution to Capitular Masonry and Masonry in general in Kansas that this Grand High Priest has given during his forty some years in Masonry. He is one of the very few who have served masonry in the capacity of Grand Master.

Under the title of THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES — "Of course, the two big events of the year were the presentation of "The Word" here at Salina and the speaking appearance of DR. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, D.D., at Topeka. Each event, I feel, has given a big boost to Masonry in general and to York Rite Masonry in particular.

Unfortunately, the boost was not enough to get us back on the gaining track but we came closer — maybe 1972 will be the year. Three hundred and eleven Companions were exalted, 24 more than a year ago; suspensions decreased by 32 from the previous year but deaths increased by 22. Even though we sustained a net loss of 341 in membership, only 8 less than a year ago, it is an improvement.

More Chapters showed activity with Wyandotte No. 6 showing 23 exaltations, the most in the State. Stafford Chapter No. 52 showed a net gain of 7 members, more than 13% and will be presented with a certificate from the General Grand Chapter office for this accomplishment."

At the conclusion of the Address of the Grand High Priest, there is a heading under the name of APPRECIATION, and I quote: "I now come to the end of this report. It brings a lump to my throat for I am nearing the end of a Masonic journey which has occupied over forty years of rather active participation in Masonic endeavor. I am not

retiring for there is still much to be done, and I hope to be able to help in a revival of interest in our beloved order, for a few more years.

During the more than forty years since I was "catapulted" into the office of High Priest of Cherryvale Chapter No. 86, at a time when that Chapter was seriously considering giving up its charter, I have felt an increasing interest in and devotion to our order. It is indeed the foremost fraternal organization the world has ever seen.

The Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God deserves the best effort we can provide for promotion of its welfare and effective outreach."

KENTUCKY

M. Ex. Comp. Chester Bush, G.H.P.

90 Chapters, 13,566 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, Royal Arch Masons was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Seelbach Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, on September 22, 1971.

In opening the Proceedings from the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, the first thing that I noticed was that the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter Annual Convocation was not there, it was the report of the Grand Commandery. Upon looking further, it was found that the Grand Chapter Proceedings was at the very last of the book, after not only the Grand Commandery report but also the Grand Council Annual Proceedings.

The Report of Chief Inspector and Statistician quotes: "Of the ninety Royal Arch Chapters in Kentucky, reports were received from eighty-eight. Of this number seven were book inspections and four consisted merely of a report that no inspection was possible because of a lack of a quorum.

Fifty-four chapters had ten percent or more of their members present at inspection.

Eleven High Preists were absent at the inspection of their respective chapters; 13 Kings were absent; and 18 Scribes were absent.

The Inspection Reports of this year compare quite favorably with those of the past several years. Year after year there are always a few High Priests, Kings, Scribes, and other Officers who do not take the duties and responsibilities of their offices seriously, or else do not fully realize the possibilities for service to Masonry afforded them by work in the Chapter. An average of four officers per chapter attended less than nine convocations during the year. And when we speak of four per Chapter, that is one third of all of the Officers in the State. There is no doubt that an increase in Fervency and Zeal among the officers would result in increased activity and growth in the Grand Chapter of Kentucky."

LOUISIANA

M. Ex. Comp. Carrol W. Cormier, G.H.P.

61 Chapters, 9,260 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Louisiana was held in the Jung Hotel, New Orleans, on March 18, 1972.

A special committee was appointed to handle re-instatements for the year, and the Grand High Priest states that in several instances that he knows of that Companions have sent in their cheques along with a copy of the letter they had received from the committee, which indicates that the Companions really do want to feel that they are both needed and wanted.

A Grand Chapter Holy Bible is awarded on a point basis: one point for each percent of gain plus one point for each gain in the chapter membership during the year. Four chapters produced recognizable gains resulting in points sufficient to place in the contest.

There were thirty-one companions presented with fifty year cards and lapel pins during the past year.

A Royal Arch Mason magazine called the "Louisiana" was prepared and mailed eight times during the year in line with their postal contract, and that the "Louisiana Section" in the Royal Arch Mason magazine had been prepared for quarterly appearances by the editor.

We make one quote from the Grand High Priest's Address regarding the attendance and membership problems in Louisiana. "As has been the cry for a number of years, attendance seems to be at a low ebb and the reasons or excuses are the same, membership in too many organizations, work, television, air conditioned homes and many others, too numerous to mention. It is imperative that some interest be stimulated in these Companions to get them to become involved in all phases of chapter work. Thus assuring their attendance at the meetings. When we look about us and see the same faces at all of the affairs and doing most of the work, we wonder why we can't in some manner, impart a portion of this enthusiasm to those who are less inclined to participate."

MAINE

M. Ex. Comp. Max E. Place, G.H.P.

64 Chapters, 9,681 Members.

The One Hundred and Forty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Maine was held in the Masonic Temple at Portland, Maine, on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1972.

On October 23, an international Royal Arch interchange with the Companions of New Brunswick was held. "On October 23, 1971, we were invited by M.E. First Grand Principal Neil W. Astle to present the Royal Arch degree according to the Maine ritual at a special Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick at Edmunston. There was an excellent attendance from both jurisdictions and we and our ladies were royally entertained by M.E. Neil W. Astle and the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

Through the efforts of M.E. Waldo Y. Leeman and M.E. Benjamin Butler, a "Hands Across the Border" Medallion had been designed and struck to commemorate this annual exchange. This medallion was presented on the foregoing occasion to the presiding officers of both jurisdictions who had been in office during the years since the interchange was originated. Each presiding officer presented the medal to his respective counterpart of the other jurisdiction for the corresponding year, and I heartily wish I had a tape recording of the presentation comments.

The number one medal was presented to Mrs. Benjamin "Auntie" Ela in memory of our beloved M.E. Past Grand High Priest "Uncle Ben" Ela, who was largely instrumental in the inauguration of this annual exchange of degree work."

The Chairman of the Committee for Area York Rite reports "One of the major problems in our Chapters today is that of obtaining Officer material, but this can be overcome. Witness a freshman class entering college, a chaotic mass of ungoverned green youngsters. Watch this group six months later and you will see the real leaders emerge.

Leadership means following as well as fellowship and is the art of inspiring others to follow and do greater things."

In many of the Grand jurisdictions in the United States, according to the proceedings, the Grand line officers have their reports printed in the proceeding. In this, the one from Maine, the Grand High Priest makes a very good report, consisting of several pages in the proceeding. There is one report made by one of the D.D.G.H.P. which, in his report, exceeds the length of the Grand High Priest's report by several pages.

MANITOBA

M. Ex. Comp. R. Gordon Johnston, G.F.P.

19 Chapters, 2,059 Members.

The Forty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba was held in the Marlborough Hotel, Winnipeg, Manitoba, April 14th, 1972.

This Grand Chapter had passed to the Grand Chapter above four of its Past Grand First Principals, each of which had a most outstanding and useful life in Masonry, contributing above and beyond what was called for in our every day life.

There is working in this Grand Chapter a Fiftieth Anniversary Committee dedicated to the job of making their 50th celebration the most memorable to all Royal Arch Masons in Manitoba as humanly possible.

A proposal was received at the Grand Executive Meeting on Thursday, October 14, 1971, that the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba through their Grand Chapter to establish a treatment and rehabilitation centre for young drug addicts. A suggestion that a committee be appointed to study the proposal.

MARYLAND

M. Ex. Comp. D. Franklin McGinnis, G.H.P.

27 Chapters, 7,002 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Baltimore, on May 9th, 1972.

It is with interest that we report of the preparation of this Grand Chapter to hold a long-planned celebration which was to be held Saturday, June 24, 1972 at the Adult Educational Centre of the University of Maryland on the occasion of their 175th Anniversary.

A special medal was struck for the occasion commemorating the

175th Anniversary, and this medal was available in silver or bronze.

In the address of the Grand High Priest, he refers to a visit to Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Scotland and I quote: "I had the pleasure to attend the Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Scotland for the induction of its Grand Officers. It was a most impressive ceremony. All were robed and costumed. The Grand High Priest's robe being of red velvet trimmed in genuine ermine.

I was invited to lunch as was my wife, broken arm not withstanding.

After the installation a banquet was held and I made the toast to the Grand Officers. Quite contrary to our banquets every sixth man was supplied with a replenishable fifth of Scotch whiskey, as well as red and white wine. At the head table, ours was served in a beautiful Edinburgh crystal decanter.

The Grand High Priest, The Right Honorable, the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, is a very estimable gentleman. It was at his order that my wife and I were conducted through the oldest Masonic Temple in the world and my wife sat where Robert Burns sat when he attended the lodge."

An interesting paragraph at the completion of the Grand Lecturer's Report was found to have much thought in it and we would like to reprint it for your reading.

"And now, my Companions, let me remind you, as another has said, there are 'not many sounds in life, and I include all urban and all rural sounds, exceed in interest a knock at the door.' In our Masonic life, who knows? That knock may be caused by a cherished friend, or one who needs a friend. Let me urge you to continue to be proficient in the ritual, and with the help of God purify your hearts that you may be qualified to answer that knock and cover him with broad mantle of Charity and Brotherly Love."

MICHIGAN

M. Ex. Comp. Charles Campbell Rademaker, G.H.P.

135 Chapters, 24,015 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Michigan was held in the City of Traverse, on October 8-9, 1971.

Royal Arch Seminars were held during the last capitular year at various locations throughout the state. The subject in most cases presented were Red Book, York Rite Cooperation and Membership. It is reported that the subject material was very well received especially that covering the Red Book. Those present took an active part in the discussions and certainly those in attendance came away better informed and better Royal Arch Masons. There was a total of nine seminars held during the year between March and September.

There were 110 Fifty-year Membership Lapel Buttons presented during the year. This being another year of increase for this item.

Plans are already underway to again hold a statewide Royal Arch Outdoor Reunion at a place called Ruthig Farm near Leslie. Committees have already been appointed and they are working toward the point of

taking care of at least 100 Royal Arch Masons at the next function of this kind.

Rating Certificates were presented to chapters showing a net gain during the past year of which there were 30 chapters.

Quoting from the Report of the Ritual Proficiency Committee: "It is our considered opinion that we are not making suitable progress in the area of our District Deputy System. There is a potential in such a system that is not producing the desired result. We suggest that some plan be devised that would furnish some reasonable assurance that before a Deputy Instructor is permitted to go out among the Chapters as an instructor, he should submit some proof of his qualifications to do the important task involved. Boards could be established to examine potential District Deputies and when found qualified, certify them as such. We are under the impression that some such plan is in use in Iowa and Ohio. We recommend that information be solicited from them on this matter.

We further feel that no person, no matter how well he knows the words of the ritual, can convey the true lessons in Capitular Masonry to a candidate unless he fully understands them himself. The desired result cannot be obtained by simply repeating the words of the ritual. We therefore suggest that some method be established whereby the true meaning of Capitular Masonry be imparted to the Deputies and they in turn to their assigned Chapters. There is a wealth of material available which could be obtained for this purpose.

Consider a brief explanation to the candidate, of the work he is about to witness in each degree prior to the conferral. This could result in a better understanding of the lessons portrayed. Inaugurate some sort of follow up plan after the conferral of the degrees. This could consist of short explanations relative to the history, symbolism, etc., of the various degrees. Masonic education at all levels is the real necessity."

MINNESOTA

M. Ex. Comp. John E. Scwalbe, G.H.P.

70 Chapters, 13,011 Members.

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Temple at St. Cloud, Minnesota, on October 1, and 2, 1971.

In the Report of the Grand Lecturer, he states "Each of the eight Capitular Districts of Minnesota put on a Festival this spring. The quality of the work was uniformly good, for the most part, and sometimes almost brilliant, and the attendance was quite satisfactory. A total of 152 companions were Exalted compared to 127 last year.

We read with interest the Report of the Committee on York Rite Unity. "For perhaps the last ten years, there has been a growing murmur about that something called "York Rite Unity". Briefly, it refers to a sort of union of the Chapter, the Council and the Commandery, now called the York Rite, into some pattern of operation and co-operation, similar to that existing in the Scottish Rite, where there are also three divisions of a sort, although not as pronounced as in the York Rite.

Some evidences of this union are already to be found in some of the

Grand Jurisdictions. For instance in a neighboring Jurisdiction, there now is an all-inclusive petition, whereby, on the same blank, a Candidate may apply for the Chapter, the Council and the Commandery.

Much of the push for York Rite Unity seems to come from the Grand Encampment of the Grand Commanderies. Partly to this end, they have held conferences in various sections of the country, including one last November at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, with a continuance of the same to be held at the same place next month. It was my privilege to be present at the Conference last fall, and I believe I can honestly say that I endorse all of the suggestions that were made at Sioux Falls. No formal declaration of policy was made at that meeting.

As of now, the general feeling at the top level, seems to be in favor of some type of Unity organization, but with extremely wide differences of opinion as to how this should be implemented.

At the present time, there is a Degree, (or whatever it might be called), now referred to simply as THE WORD. It has some beginnings in Illinois, and perhaps one or two other states. In this organization, ALL York Rite degrees are conferred. This includes Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery. The entire session lasts from 3 to 4 hours, with all the degrees conferred at one sitting. However, this organization strongly urges and recommends that the Candidate then goes back to his home Lodge, Chapter, etc., and take the full degrees in each Body."

MISSISSIPPI

Most Ex. Comp. Brewer H. Hutchinson, G.H.P.

57 Chapters, 10,881 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Mississippi was held in the Heidelberg Hotel, in Jackson, Mississippi, on Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8, 1971.

After reading through the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, we find it most heartening to report that this is one of the few Grand jurisdictions which has shown a net gain. A gain of 52 members. As a matter of fact, in the report referred to as a Comparative Statement of Membership, it shows that since 1965 they have had a gain in membership each year. One Chapter this past year had a gain of 43 members.

In the Report of the Grand Lecturer, he remarks: "Our total gain was a little more last year, yet the number of candidates exalted was smaller. In fact, our gain was greater than in the past six years, and we feel sure that one reason is that we had fewer suspensions for non payment of dues last year."

"In making a successful chapter out of a dormant one we might list a few prerequisites: (1) Knowledge of the subject; (2) enthusiasm for the project; (3) regular attendance on meetings, and knowing 'his part'. Other things he might do: Discourage use of rituals in open chapter meetings; insist on each officer learning his part prior to the time of the meeting; hold all stated convocations of his chapter during the year and open each one on time; conduct the business of stated convocations in the same manner as Blue Lodge communication is conducted."

'We walk upon the ashes of the generations who have gone this way before us, to which our ashes must, in turn contribute.' The example we set for future generations must be of the highest type. We must impress our younger Masons, those who are candidates for the degrees, with a high quality performance in the ritualistic work, for it stands to reason that if they are not impressed with our ceremonies they will be lukewarm in their future attitudes."

MISSISSIPPI

M. Ex. Comp. Mays D. Whelchel, G.H.P.

51 Chapters, 11,045 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Mississippi was held at the Heidelberg Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi, May 5th, 1972.

The Report of the Grand Lecturer is very interesting and we would like to quote for your reading. "It has been said many times in the past ten years, and we repeat it here, that York Rite Festivals seem to be the order of the day. What they accomplish seems to make the difference between net gains and net losses. Many times we have heard it said there is no substitute for hard work in promoting the welfare of our local Masonic Bodies. We might add to this another quality, that of cooperation between members of all branches of Freemasonry in a given locality. We have very few companions who are not willing to assist in promoting the welfare of all branches of our great fraternity. Those who work in the Chapter are also on hand to assist in conferring degrees and orders in the other bodies, thus making sure that the entire system of York Rite Masonry is benefitted by their cooperation."

"The past year we realized a goal that has eluded us for many years —in fact, for the one hundred and twenty-four years of our existence as a Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. We attained the goal of having more than eleven thousand members on our rolls. We do not mean to emphasize merely quantity, for we are always seeking to improve the quality of our degree work. Yet it seems to me that this is the way to do it. The more candidates we can secure the more ambition we will have to do better work. The chapters which consistently show losses in membership (and they are few) can attest to the fact that this is true, for most of them cannot, or will not, learn to do their own work. They depend on the Festivals, or on some neighboring Chapter to do their work for them. We do not discourage these methods of taking in new members, but rather we are trying to encourage them to shake off the "lazy streak" and try to do at least part of their own work. Many chapters have tried this in the past few years and have found that the more work they do, the better they like it, and the more proficient they become in the work."

MISSOURI

M. Ex. Comp. Charles A. Bottermuller, G.H.P.

100 Chapters, 19,320 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Missouri was held in the Stratford Room of the Ramada Inn, Jefferson City, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 25, 1972.

The Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Missouri is a very full, informative and interesting piece of correspondence to read and it is impossible to have reprinted in this report all the ideas which we consider might be of interest to our members, but we will endeavour to present a few of their ideas and thoughts to you.

The Grand officers decided on a three point program which would be pursued for at least the next five years with the hope that they may help in many ways for the betterment of the Royal Arch in Missouri, and are as follows:

"1. Establish and operate an active program of interest and participation by Royal Arch chapters in the affairs of the symbolic lodges.

2. Encourage and assist the individual chapters in an active and meaningful Charitable Activities Program at the local level.

3. Encourage and assist every chapter in developing an interesting and enjoyable Outside Activities Program."

A sum of $1,000.00 is allocated for charity by the Finance Committee each year and it is the privilege of the Grand High Priest to announce the disbursement of the funds.

Committee on Work Report — "This has been a very dedicated, capable, and hard-working committee. It has had quarterly meetings which were well attended and enthusiastically supported. Methods and procedures for teaching the ritual were agreed upon after many lively and vigorous discussions. This committee has prepared and printed numerous charts, diagrams and instructions, for the proper rendition of the degrees and other ritualistic aspects of the work. These aids are now ready for distribution. They are available to all interested Royal Arch Masons and will be most helpful in all aspects of the degrees. I have been most gratified by the accomplishments of this committee, and it is my considered opinion that we are well on the way to reaching a level of ritualistic instruction which has not been approached for many years. This is in no sense to be construed as a criticism of previous Grand Lecturers who were very capable and dedicated men. But the coverage of instruction is now far superior to what it could have possibly been before under the Grand Lecturer system. Seven men in widely separated areas of the state can, through sheer numbers, accomplish far more than only one, regardless how zealous and energetic he may be."

The Acceptance Address of newly Installed Grand High Priest. "I will do my best to uphold the fine traditions of this great jurisdiction and keep the meaningful momentum going that has been given by our grand officers, Past Grand High Priests, and especially under the direction of our Junior Past Grand High Priest, Charles A. Bottermuller. Freemasonry has survived by sacrifice. It has had much to do with the development of our country. It has been maintained by sacrifice. The conditions of our times fairly shout to us that we are charged with the responsibility of preserving the traditions of our Fraternity, if indeed civilization is to remain as we know it and if it is to endure. I would like to recite the prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, "Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace, where there is hatred let me so love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled,

as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love, for it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that we pardon, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.'

MONTANA

Most Ex. Clinton C. Cox, G.H.P.

33 Chapters, 4,242 Members.

The Eighty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Montana was held in the Colonial Motor Hotel in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, June 9, 1971.

In the Grand Secretary's Financial Report, he makes note of "In view of the cost of printing the Annual Proceedings in the regular way, it was decided to try and reduce this expense without materially reducing the service rendered by the printing of these. We have made a very substantial saving and while there is room for improvement in the preparation of the material, we expect that the 1971 Annual proceedings will show improvement in this respect. This office is in the course of preparing a complete Roster of Members and this will be sent to all Grand officers, Past Grand officers and four copies to each constituent chapter with the 1971 Annual Proceedings."

Also in the proceedings there is mentioned the Fall District Meetings of which we list some of the subjects that were discussed: Workshops; District Convocations; Three-way Petitions; The Big Brother Method; Programs; Sickness and Distress Reports; Charters; "The Word" Rituals; Life Memberships; Non-Mason Information; Re-affirmation Sunday; Royal Arch Monitor; Minimum Fees.

This Grand Chapter visits quite often with the Companions of the Grand Chapter of Alberta as well as the Companions from Alberta visiting the Companions of Montana Chapters.

MONTANA

M. Ex. Comp. Charles J. Speake, G.H.P.

33 Chapters, 4,120 Members.

The Eighty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Montana was held in the Masonic Temple in Hamilton, Montana, on June 7th, 1972.

"Consideration of the circulation of the Royal Arch Mason magazine, an item also mentioned by the Deputy General Grand High Priest, was then discussed, and upon the assurance by the Grand Secretary that the Grand Chapter would have funds available, a motion was made that the Grand Chapter provide for the circulation of the magazine to every member of the Montana Chapters."

Reception of Veteran Royal Arch Masons — "Commencing with a call for those Royal Arch Masons with 50 years or more service, and reducing each call by 5 years until reaching 25 years, the Grand High Priest assembled a considerable number west of the Altar, where the Grand King, Companion Willard C. Paulson extended a cordial welcome and commended each of the group on the great help their efforts had been to Montana Capitular Freemasonry and wished for them many more years of activity for Masonry. Companion Percy W. Doles, P.H.P.

of Havre Chapter No. 19, a Royal Arch Mason for 68 years, responded for the group, stating that he was exalted in Cheyenne Chapter No. 1 at Cheyenne, Wyoming."

UNITED STATES OF MEXICO

M. Ex. Comp. Federico W. Von Son Wiedemuth, G.H.P.

7 Chapters, 342 Members.

The Eighteenth Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of Mexico was held in Mexico City, on Saturday, April 8th, 1972.

In the address of the Grand High Priest, he had no less than nineteen recommendations which he felt would be helpful to the Grand Chapter.

As we have said, there were nineteen recommendations and each one has much merit but the nineteenth is one which, if put into practice in every chapter would certainly go a long way in bettering the attendance and we would like to quote it here:

"19. Take personal charge of new companions forcing their regular attendance to create closer personal friendships and the habit of attendance."

In this proceedings about half of it is written in Spanish and the other half written in English.

There was one address given by M. Ex. Comp. Roger K. Becker, P.G.H.P., which was very interesting from the point of view that it traced Royal Arch Masonry from practically its origin and before the forming of the United Grand Lodge of England to the present time.

The newly installed Grand High Priest is also at the present time the Grand Master.

NEBRASKA

M. Ex. Comp. Herbert T. White, G.H.P.

41 Chapters, 6,847 Members.

The One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska was held in the Masonic Temple, Omaha, on Wednesday, April 14, 1971.

Many Grand Chapters use Grand Superintendents to oversee the work conferred in the Chapters, others have what is referred to as Grand Lecturers and Assistant Grand Lecturers. The Grand Chapter of Nebraska have Grand Lecturers and one of the duties attached to this office was to see that "Proficiency examinations were required in all Subordinate Chapters to determine the quality of the work being conferred; that is whether it was done in an impressive manner and according to the standardized instruction.

The requirements for Proficiency Examinations were as follows:

1. Opening and closing in the Royal Arch Degree.
2. Reception of Grand Officers.
3. Recitation of all four obligations.
4. Exemplification of the Mark Master's Degree, including opening and closing.

In conclusion, 30 Chapters received their Proficiency Awards and so far this year we are off to a good start. I hope this is an indication of what is to follow."

The Grand Chapter of Nebraska has an award given annually for distinguished service to York Rite Masonry which is presented to the recipient by the Grand High Priest and it is called Knights of the Royal Arch.

In the Report of the Masonic Educational Committee there is a paragraph which reads "The efforts made to make the September 19 Triad at North Platte successful taught this Committee that the method of teaching York Rite Masonry is by personal contact. Letter writing or expecting someone else to do the work is useless.

A recommendation put forth by the Grand High Priest that a Grand Representative near Nebraska from other Grand Jurisdictions who fails to attend the Nebraska Grand Convocation for five (5) consecutive years should have his commission automatically terminated and the jurisdiction which commissioned said companion as Grand Representative be notified that said office is vacant.

NEBRASKA

M. Ex. Comp. Charles E. Baker, G.H.P.

41 Chapters, 6,607 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska was held in the Masonic Temple, Chadron, on April 5th, 1972.

The Report of the Grand Lecturer listed five (5) proficiency requirements which may vary from year to year but there are the five for this year, as follows:

"1. Opening and closing in the Royal Arch Degree with not more than a total of five ritualistic errors, substitution for High Priest not to be permitted and only two substitutions for the remaining line officers. No officer shall be used in more than one station.

2. Exemplification of the Past Master's Degree including opening and closing.

3. The reception of Grand Officers to be demonstrated following procedure outlined in the Grand Chapter Law Book.

4. The recitation of all four obligations with no ritualistic errors, not more than two obligations by the same companion.

5. Definite arrangements to be made for the conferring of each degree: that is, if the chapter does not do their own work, they are to make arrangements with a neighboring chapter to have it done."

The Report of the Committee on Masonic Homes was given, and we find that there is interest in two Masonic sponsored Homes, one a home for children which has 28 children in it at present, and the other a home for elderly people.

The following paragraph was taken from the report of Superintendent Evers (re: one of the homes). "The finest expression of the beauty and work of the Masonic fraternity is found in the Nebraska Masonic Home. Without charity, any organization is doomed."

NEVADA

M. Ex. Comp. John F. Coulthard, G.H.P.

9 Chapters, 1,150 Members.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Nevada was held in the Masonic Temple, Las Vegas, Nevada, on February 9, 1971.

The Report of Special Apron Lecture Committee states that "Your committee on the Apron Lecture have studied several Apron Lectures from other jurisdictions. It is our unanimous feeling that the one used by the M.E. Grand Chapter of the State of Washington, a copy of which was furnished to us for our study by M.E. Companion Robert P. Monroe, P.G.H.P. of Washington, most clearly expresses those fundamentals of instruction which we believe should characterize such a lecture.

We therefore, with pleasure, recommend the adoption of that lecture (Washington's) for use in this Grand jurisdiction (Nevada). In Washington the lecture is delivered by the King immediately after the Obligation. We suggest that the Committee on Ritual be consulted for their recommendation as to the proper placement of the lecture in our ritual rendition of the Royal Arch Degree.

A copy of the Washington Lecture is attached and made part of this report."

"PROPOSED APRON LECTURE

KING: I now present you with the apron of a Royal Arch Mason. Its color is white, bordered in scarlet, symbolizing the purity of your intentions and the fervency and zeal which should actuate you in the performance of every duty. On the flag is the emblem of emblems of a Royal Arch Mason, a triple tau within a triangle, all within a circle.

The tau was recognized by the Hebrews as a mark of salvation, and it has ever been considered a symbol of life.

The equilateral triangle is the most important of all Masonic emblems, and is with us, as with nations of antiquity, a symbol of the Supreme Architect of the Universe, The Creator, whose Name is a symbol of Divine Truth, which we as Free Masons should constantly seek.

The circle is an emblem of eternity; and having neither beginning nor end, is the symbol of God, a Being without beginning of days or ending of years.

The triple Tau in a triangle within a circle symbolizes the Sacred Name and is worn as a mark of distinction separating us who know and worship the True Name from those who are ignorant of this august mystery. When you shall have completed this Degree you may wear this emblem as one, who knowing and believing, may find in it the highest hope and faith ever given to man."

NEW BRUNSWICK

M. Ex. Comp. Wesley Samuel Weston, G.F.P.

11 Chapters, 1,422 Members.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Brunswick was held in the Masonic Temple, Saint John, N.B. on June 19, 1971.

At a special convocation held in Rockland, Maine, U.S.A. in the Masonic Temple, the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick were privileged to exemplify the Royal Arch Degree.

The Province is divided into three districts and the Grand Superintendent of each district gave an interesting and complete report of his activities in his distrct.

Even at this time they are preparing themselves in a financial way for their 100th Anniversary in sixteen years hence.

NEW BRUNSWICK

M. Ex. Comp. Neil W. Astle, G.F.P.

11 Chapters, 1,397 Members.

The Eighty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Brunswick was held in the Masonic Temple, Edmundston, New Brunswick, June 17th, 1972.

Once again the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick joined with the Grand Chapter of Maine to celebrate their "Hands across the Border" Convocation. This exchanging of visits of the two Grand Chapters has been carried on for a period of ten years with much success.

The Executive Committee of Grand Chapter held four meetings during the year, at which many points of interest regarding Royal Arch Masonry in New Brunswick was discussed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

M. Ex. Comp. Charles H. Cheney, G.H.P.

25 Chapters, 2,733 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of New Hampshire was held in the Masonic Temple in Concord, New Hampshire, May 13, 1972.

For the first time in the history of the state, they staged a York Rite Festival and consequently were able to show a gain in Capitular Masonry, the first in many years, and it is their hope that they can keep the momentum moving in this area.

We note that at the Grand Convocation our own M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent spoke on behalf of all the guests, a timely topic, the problems that the Masonic Fraternity face these days.

The report of the Committee on Publicity and Public Relations states: "We your Committee on 'Publicity and Public Relations' submit the following report. We worked hand in hand with the York Rite Committee in promoting the first York Rite Festival. We found the

newspaper, radio and television media receptive to our requests for space and time. We would express our appreciation to Companions in several areas of the State who assisted in this work, and recommend that all Constituent Chapters make use of the media available in their areas for the publicity of local meetings and special events."

The Committee on Resolutions reports and we reprint in part: "That each Grand High Priest shall give serious consideration to equal representation of all Chapters in the Grand Line, stipulating that no appointment may be made from any Chapter a second time until all other Chapters of the state had an opportunity to be represented in that Grand Line." This was adopted unanimously.

The newly installed Grand High Priest, after his installation, responded as follows: "We have never had a method of training the Kings of our constituent Chapters in the obligations, and duties incumbent upon them in that high office. To this end, a new program will be instituted this year, which will make use of the talents of the appointive officers in the Grand Line. These men will spend time with each King in the Chapters assigned to him, and will teach him all of these things. We hope that it will be so successful that it will be made a permanent part of their future duties. No longer will a companion come into office as High Priest, wondering what to expect. He will know."

NEW YORK

M. Ex. Comp. William E. Carr, G.H.P.

193 Chapters, 22,043 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventy-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York Royal Arch Masons was held in the Thruway Hyatt House in Albany, New York, on Thursday, February 4, 1971.

This is one of the larger Grand Chapters that we recognize today, so it follows that they have many Committees under various titles. It would be difficult to make mention of each committee's report and what it contains, so we will make note of reports which we feel might be of interest to our members. Committee on Tubercular Relief: "Since Grand Chapter undertook relief work in 1924 there has been expended for direct relief of Royal Arch Masons and their dependents suffering from chronic Pulmonary Disease a total of $158,267.92. The Scholarship Aid Fund this year gave several grants to students qualifying for assistance to aid them in furthering their education.

We read with interest in the portion of the Grand High Priest's Address that he issued many dispensations and among them there were three which involved Chapters from Ontario to make a visit with Chapters in New York State.

In the address of the Grand High Priest under his recommendations, he states: "If a family is to survive they must reproduce. So it is with us, as Royal Arch Masons. We must produce candidates if we wish to keep this organization alive. There are some chapters within this State that are not producing candidates in their Chapters, thus the Chapters are slowly dying. They are of no present value to the Grand Chapter. They are not keeping Masonry alive. I feel that a committee, composed of the Grand Council Officers, should sit as a Board of Review on these Chapters.

Any Chapter that has not exalted at least five Royal Arch Masons within three years should present itself before this Board to show cause why it should not be required to consolidate with a stronger Chapter in the area or surrender its warrant to the Grand Chapter."

The report of the Committee of the Advancement of the Rite states: "It is a well known fact that our rite suffers from internal difficulties which are caused by, and because of, the continued annual net loss of membership. We have now reached a point where we can no longer refuse to recognize this problem or extend our efforts to correct it. We realize that all fraternities, including our own Grand Lodge, face this same problem but we have now reached a point where we can no longer tolerate the continued loss of around 1,000 members each year. Simple arithmetic places a dim view on horizon of our future existence.

All jurisdictions do not suffer such heavy losses and there are many that report net gains in membership. A close examination of the successful jurisdictions will disclose some common practices which each employ. It has been my privilege to see some of these methods in action. Some of these common practices are:

Active cooperation of the three York Rite bodies with unified programs and projects.

A District Deputy system (or called by other names such as Supt. of the work) which brings districts into a closer touch with their constituents where they operate under a greater authority to do so. Festivals which bring together large numbers of candidates are marked with much enthusiasm and publication potential. The presence of the titular heads of the bodies who issue dispensations to allow smooth functions of the festivals, and without the loss of any of the ancient landmarks of the craft, but at the same time provide a convenient means of progressive promotion of the craft.

I realize that it may seem difficult to approve, and accept changes but we can no longer operate our rite on its past laurels. The continued large net loss each year makes it imperative that we look to the future, and with God's help, provide a means by which our rite may continue and grow progressively. The future is in your hands — Companions. Do you have the courage to act?"

NEW ZEALAND

M. Ex. Comp. Colin Charles Whittleston, G.F.P.

101 Chapters, 7,649 Members.

The Eightieth Convocation of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Zealand was held in the Town Hall, Bank Street, Whangarei, March 9th, 1972.

Their Jubilee Memorial Bursary Fund gave grants totalling a value of $2,355.00, also there is money available each year from a Scholarship account to assist deserving young people to further their education.

There was some discussion re the increasing of the levy to the membership to offset the annual convocation travelling expenses which it seems is mostly by First Class rail

There is a section towards the back of the Proceedings where they list the officers of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter from its establishment in 1882, from the First Grand Principal all through the

various officers. Also a list of all members of Grand Chapter who are at present entitled to stand as Grand Officers or Past Grand Officers.

Under the heading of Condition of Royal Arch Masonry, we quote "M.E. Comp. H. L. Smith, P.G.Z., considered that some active steps should be taken following the various discussions — consideration should be taken of the social changes which are taking place particularly in country districts where there is often a decline in populations. The whole situation should be looked at over a much wider field and some active endeavour be carried out in the light of present conditions.

R.E. Comp. J. P. Glenie, P.G. Lec., considered that it may be advantageous to have a lesser number of meetings each year. This suggestion was not favoured by several other speakers. The representative of Victoria Chapter 4 recommended the view that efforts now being made to encourage Craft members to join should be actively followed."

NORTH CAROLINA

M. Ex. Comp. John H. Pierczynski, G.H.P.

42 Chapters, 9,285 Members.

The One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina was held at Washington, North Carolina in the Red Men's Building, on March 7th, 1972.

It is of interest to note in the Proceedings a page referred to as the Comparative Statement 1900 - 1971. In the 71 years it covers, they have experienced only 17 years in which the Grand Chapter reported a loss in membership, and since 1943 they have had only one year in which they had a loss and that was in 1969, and the loss was only 15. To me this seems to be an outstanding record.

They have, since their beginning, had something like 55 chapters which, as they say, have become defunct during their 150 years and only three chapters consolidated with other chapters.

In the address of the Grand High Priest under the heading of State of the Craft, he reports and we quote: "The state of the Craft of North Carolina is not 100% perfect, we have some encouraging signs. Some Chapters that have been inactive for a year or more have shown some signs of activity, having candidates at our State Area Festivals. I believe that more attention should be given these Chapters for greater achievements, by contacting with encouragement. Thirty-two of the subordinate Chapters represented at our last Grand Chapter Convocation with credentials. We would like to see, and I believe we should insist. on a one hundred percent representation.

The Chapter exalted 514 Companions last year which means some work has been done. All chapters had filed reports with the Grand Secretary's Office with the exception of one, which had a death of the Secretary. The Grand Chapter shows a net gain of 249 at the present time; there may be some minor adjustments.

I attribute this to the Unity Program advanced by our Past Grand Master of Masons which was carried forward by our Officers and Members on Local and State Levels."

NORTH DAKOTA

M. Ex. Comp. Virgil Higman Garwood, G.H.P.

21 Chapters, 2,324 Members.

The Eighty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of North Dakota held in the Masonic Temple in Devils Lake, North Dakota, on March 17th and 18th, 1972.

In the condition of the Craft it is reported "Membership declined again this past year. We find this trend reflected in the majority of Grand Jurisdictions. Not only are numbers declining, but enthusiasm is waning in several of our Chapters.

Gone are so many of the ritualistic perfectionists who projected dignity and importance to the degrees. Too often less emphasis is being placed upon communicating the ideals of Royal Arch than on adding dues payers. Too few younger members are inclined to memorize the long parts and lectures. Modern trends accentuate brevity and abridgement. Unless Masonry adjusts to present day conciseness we will not bring into our membership those who seek the challenge of modern endeavors."

One of several recommendations of which the Grand High Priest made was that a committee be appointed with instructions to proceed in revising their ritual complementry to present day adaption, and that their edition be presented to the 84th Grand Convocation for consideration.

NOVA SCOTIA

M. Ex. Comp. V. Rev. E. B. N. Cochrane, G.H.P.

27 Chapters, 2,598 Members.

The One Hundred and Second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia (with jurisdiction over Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland) was held in Freemason's Hall, Halifax, on May 25, 1971. The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment at 5:00 p.m. to resume labor in Bennett Hall, Corner Brook, Newfoundland at 7:00 p.m., N.D.T., July 16, 1971.

In the report of the District Grand Superintendent of District 3, he writes "The matter of attendance and the reasons for non-attendance were very much in my thoughts. In fact to me it is a matter of great concern. For every occurrence, no matter of what nature, there has to be an answer.

Could the answer be in part that we do not fully understand our Masonic Teaching? Do we simply repeat the ritual without gaining a true knowledge of the things therein contained and fail to pursue our studies and seek the knowledge which comes to the speculative mind. Do we fully realize how ancient is our Craft and the great part it has played in human progress. Do we support the Church and do we fully realize that the Creator created all things and that man created nothing, but achieved his place in the world by applying knowledge and skill gained by the speculative mind to the things which the Creator created in the beginning."

It is interesting in regards to this Grand Chapter that it is composed of three provinces of Canada, namely Nova Scotia, Prince Edward

Island and Newfoundland, so in the same vein it would follow that the miles travelled by the Grand Chapter Officers in the discharge of some of their duties must accumulate at quite a fast pace.

NOVA SCOTIA

M. Ex. Comp. Mark Beatson Davis, G.H.P.

27 Chapters, 2,545 Members.

The One Hundred and Third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia (with jurisdiction over Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland) was held in the Freemason's Hall, Halifax, May 6th, 1972.

It is interesting to note that the Grand Secretary is this year, the Grand Master of Masons for Nova Scotia, R. Ex. Comp. E. L. Eaton.

Under the heading of "General" in the address of the Grand High Priest, he has written "Speaking of Free Masonry in general — although you may have heard it said many times that Masonry is waning, yet among the faithful there is no need for complacency. We all believe that Craft and Royal Arch Masonry must have continuous growth, therefore it is incumbent on our part, for the benefit of our Royal Arch, that each and every one of us spread the gospel of Capitular Free Masonry. To encourage this dispensation of further light, we must get through to the Master Mason, explaining to him the further advantages of Masonic education he will receive, when he partakes of the Capitular Degrees within the framework of the Holy Royal Arch.

How can we accomplish this?

By social communication and friendly approach to the young Master Mason, by having Masonic get-togethers, and by asking some Companion (preferably older than himself) to enlighten him as to the significance of the Holy Royal Arch and its connection with his former Degrees.

Free Masonry will still survive despite the changing times in which we live. Down through the ages, Free Masonry has given and still presents today STABILITY to a torn and distressed world.

The Grand Chapter is experiencing some financial difficulties this year due to many increased expenses, such as, increase in postal rates, income from constituent chapters down, printing bills paid since the beginning of the year increased by 14%. Four suggestions have been considered by the Board of General Purposes, none of which was fully acceptable. (1) Take more money from the Benevolent Fund; (2) Reduce or cancel the allowances of the principal officers; (3) Amend the constitution to cut in half the money going to the Benevolent Fund and put this much more in the general funds; (4) Increase the dues.

The last two of these suggestions will come before Grand Chapter in formal motions.

OHIO

M. Ex. Comp. Charles E. Canfield, G.H.P.

215 Chapters, 57,080 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand

Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio was held in the Masonic Temple in Akron, Ohio, on October 6 and 7, 1971.

The Grand Chapter is one of the larger ones from the number of members as well as number of chapters. Consequently they have many committees with each giving a report on their particular activity, so we will endeavour to report on items which we feel will be of interest to our members.

In the Annual Report of the Grand High Priest we quote: "One hundred and fifty-five years have passed since this Grand Chapter was organized on October 28, 1816. It has survived wars, rumors of wars, economic revolution and political persecution. Many governments known in 1816 are not in existence today. Several fraternal organizations that flourished in that day, are no more. Truly we can say that this Grand Chapter is old because it is good. Certainly we have a great heritage."

"In conclusion, permit me to state that the high and noble principles of Freemasonry need to be exercised more today than ever before, if the great work of elevating our institution is to continue. The credit of the order in the eyes of the public depends more on the conduct and acts of individual members than the conduct of the institution as such. The general public does not read Masonic books, but they do read you and me.

There is nothing wrong with Freemasonry, nothing at all, it is a moral rearmament, a practical approach to social brotherhood in a technology that is dominating society today. It is a brilliant ray of faith and hope extending peace and love to a turbulent, frustrated and bewildered world of men who have lost their sense of eternal values in darkness that will not permit the light of God to penetrate and guide them in paths of immortality.

Freemasonry will grow and prosper in the fields of human endeavor, providing enlightened and inspired leadership extends its ennobling influences to all its members from E.A. on, unafraid of what men may say or do, for our motivations should be above ridicule and criticism. If our membership finds it in their hearts and consciences to please God, what else is of consequence."

Report of the Committee on Masonic Education — "It is noted that greater effort and support is needed from the High Priests to improve the educational program in the Constituent Chapter. Each High Priest should appoint an Education Officer, allot time, and suggest programs for the Education Officer to present during the Capitular year.

Research is being made in the area of Leadership Training Schools and Teacher Training Schools. It is hoped that in the near future these schools will be available to all Royal Arch Masons. A manual for District Deputies is also being researched."

Report of the Membership Development Committee — "Companions, "EXALTATIONS" continues to be the name of the game however Suspensions must also be curbed and Withdrawals, for other than affiliation with another chapter, should be discouraged. In this regard, for whatever benefit may be realized, suggestions for membership development and retaining those already on our rolls have been distributed to each chapter. The individual approach, in the interest of securing petitions as well as the manner of keeping our memberships intact, is incidental. It is the effort which counts.

The Committee is of the opinion that something less than all out effort is being expended and perhaps some of our Secretaries and/or Welfare Committees may not be functioning to the fullest extent. It is suggested that each Companion take an inventory of his own efforts and each Chapter survey the accomplishments of its Secretary and Welfare Committee. The results are for your determination."

Report of the Awards Committee — "Your Committee, having heard no objection from the procedure followed last year in the awarding of the Certificates by the Grand Chapter for:

1. Most Outstanding Chapter in each District.
2. Most Improved Chapter in each District to be awarded at the Grand Convocation, and

The Certificate awards to be presented at the local, District or Regional Level by the District Deputy Grand High Priest or his representative for:

1. Outstanding High Priest in each District.
2. Sojourner Award (best attendance at Inspections).
3. District Workhorse Award

and Awards Committee continued the same procedure for this past year.

Your committee is deeply grateful to the Companions so honored and to the Chapters for their untiring efforts on behalf of Grand Chapter of Ohio. We only wish that next year we can make awards in each District."

PENNSYLVANIA

M. Ex. Comp. Robert M. Evans, G.H.P.

145 Chapters, 33,116 Members.

There not being an Annual Convocation as such by the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Pennsylvania, the Proceedings covering the One Hundred and Seventy-sixth year will be reported as along previous lines.

This particular year there were 4 meetings held during the year; First at Masonic Temple, Harrisburg Pa., March 13, 1971; Second — Masonic Temple, Johnston, Pa., June 12, 1971; Third — Masonic Temple, Towanda, Pa., September 11, 1971; Fourth at Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pa., December 2, 1971.

Two hundred and eight-eight certificates were awarded to Companions in recognition of their faithful membership as Royal Arch Masons during the past year as fifty year members.

The Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania along with the other officers of the Grand East hold office for a two year period.

In the Grand High Priest's speech under the heading of "Membership" he states and we quote: "The most important integral part of any organization is the membership. Grand Chapter is no exception. New members are required to replace those no longer with us, and I am sorry to state that securing the required number of replacements, we are again showing a loss as indicated by the Membership Committee

report. Several areas are showing a gain, but many Chapters are lagging. We had hoped that the three Special Events scheduled — The Quarry degree in the West, the Quarry degree in the East, and the Scottish York Rite Conclave at Williamsport would reverse the steady erosion of our membership. These special events were most successful but did not prevent a loss in membership again. Our sincere appreciation to all who assisted in promoting and arranging these affairs. Membership is the one Committee in which all Companions should have a special interest in, and the loss of membership has to be attributed to the lack of effort on the part of our Companions in securing petitions. Too much dependence is placed on one or two in each Chapter, where success is dependent on a concerted effort by all."

PHILIPPINES

M. Ex. Comp. Leandro F. Cruz, G.H.P.

1,241 Members.

The Nineteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the Republic of the Philippines was held in the Jose Abad Santos Hall, Plaridel Masonic Temple, in the City of Manila on April 30, 1971.

There was nowhere in the Proceedings that we could find the number of Chapters, but in the report of the Grand Secretary we read "The number and locations of Chapters are the same as recorded in our proceedings of last year." Unfortunately, we did not receive a copy of last year's proceedings from the Grand Chapter of the Philippines.

In the Response to the Address of Welcome to Grand Representatives by Ex. Comp. Raymond E. Wilmarth, he gave a most interesting and thought provoking address and I quote: "There is a great need in the world today for Masonic unity — Royal Arch Masonic unity in particular. Although the world has always been in a constant state of change to which men have accommodated themselves in the past, the jet propelled acceleration of change in the past decade has reached a rate beyond the accommodation of man. As a result, the social structure of mankind is being torn apart into shreds.

The Universe has always been and always will be. It is the Universe of an infinite Creator. Within God's Universe worlds will continue, despite the wildest changes of man. In the vacuum left by change, new social structures will evolve. There will be new principles to guide the future generations of man. There will be untried, undefined experiments in cultures, moralities, and governments.

The tenets of Masonry can not change, if Masonry is to remain Masonry. It is not within the power or authority of any man to depart from these. Therefore, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, IS IT NOT THE DUTY OF MASONRY, PERHAPS EVEN THE DIVINELY INSPIRED DESTINY OF MASONRY TO BE THE KEYSTONE IN THE ARCH THAT SPANS THE GATEWAY OF TRANSITION FROM THE PAST TO THE FUTURE? Can it be that the Brotherhood and Man under the Fatherhood of God will be the point in the centre of the circle of time at which there can be no error between God and Man? Could it be our ordained future to maintain thru the tenets of our Order, the Cabletow that will bind man to his God, no matter how far he may stray from that centre?

These are but a few of the countless number of questions to be

answered — which should be answered by Masons — which should be answered by Companions of the Holy Royal Arch. The Questions are enormous in scope. The answers must come not from a few, but from many. But not the many who are motivated by divergent aims and purposes. The answers must come from the many who are united in a common aim and for a common purpose, THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE GRAND DESIGN. The answers must come from a united Holy Royal Arch Masonry."

QUEBEC

M. Ex. Comp. G. R. Lessard, G.F.P.

26 Chapters, 2,768 Members.

The Ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec was held in the Masonic Memorial Temple in the City of Montreal on June 2, 1971.

The Grand Chapter of Quebec noted with pleasure the establishment of Chapters of De Molay and has lent its support in tangible ways. In the address of the Grand First Principal, I quote: "Our society seems to be confused in many ways. Disturbances are seen everywhere. Distrust seems to be the approach to our problems and lawlessness abounds. The young seem to be prominent in those activities and do not seem to care. But let us not be mistaken. There are hosts of young people who are undecided about the ideal way of life. They have not as yet taken to the streets for demonstrations, or should I say that they have not as yet been brainwashed by demigogues who would control their thinking for selfish ends. Those young people are the ones that you and I must be concerned with and teach to live according to the principles that we believe in. I sincerely believe that the answers to many of the problems of today will be found in the teachings and practice of Masonry. It is a challenge that Masons cannot afford to pass by. It is time for Masons to let others know that we are against lawlessness, cruelty, murder, selfishness, atheism and so on, and on the contrary that we support friendliness, sympathy for people in sorrow, kindness, charity for people in need and many of the virtues that we find in our various degrees. We must make strong efforts to reach the young people for they are the ones who very shortly will be the directors of the world. The way they will govern will depend on the teachings they have received. Let us then be their Teachers."

The Report of the Grand Scribe Ezra states "It is preposterously stupid for any organization to attempt, in 1971, to budget on a 1940 basis. Economy is always good business — penny pinching is always contemptible. To cut our coat according to our cloth is wise, but growth, expansion and the demands of changing conditions can make it necessary to increase the quantity of our cloth if we are to have a coat ample enough to cover our nakedness. Our fraternity for too long has been content to 'make do' with wornout equipment and furniture, with voluntary assistance, with slave labour, all to save us from putting our hands in our pocket and parting with some of those extra dollars which have come to us as individuals by reason of the inflated national economy. Our charitable projects are virtually non-existent. Ancient principles and established customs are hidden behind a camouflage of old fashioned ideas and worn out methods. To maintain in this day the status quo of 75 years ago is to court certain disaster. We MUST increase our income and our outgo."

QUEBEC

M. Ex. Comp. Bernie Wolfe, G.F.P.

26 Chapters, 2,715 Members.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Quebec was held in the Masonic Memorial Temple in Montreal on Wednesday, May 31, 1972.

The Grand Jurisdiction of Quebec is divided into five districts with a Superintendent to oversee their respective districts and report at the end of their year to the Grand First Principal re the condition, etc. of Capitular Masonry in their district. In the proceedings each Superintendent submitted a very comprehensive report regarding their responsibilities during the year.

The Grand Scribe Ezra reports "The past year has been an active one in Grand Chapter under the co-operative leadership of our Grand First Principal. The results of his leadership will have an impact on all constituent chapters. It has been a personal pleasure to work with and for him. I regret more strongly than ever that we discarded the custom of a second term. It is a criminal waste of business ability and acumen to change Executive Officers just as they reach the peak of their usefulness in Capitular Masonry."

The General Purpose Committee had four statutory meetings during the year at which many items were discussed, one of which was that a committee was to be formed to develop plans for the Celebration of their 100th Anniversary in 1976.

The Committee on the State of the Order made their report which contained several very good suggestions to stop the present erosion of Capitular Masonry in their Grand Jurisdiction and to stimulate interest and to rejuvenate the Chapters.

QUEENSLAND

M. Ex. Comp. F. H. Shannon, G.F.P.

140 Chapters, 7,931 Members.

The Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Queensland held the Annual Convocation in the Grand Hall of the Masonic Memorial Temple, Ann St., Bribane, on Wednesday, October 6th, 1971.

Besides the Annual Convocation, there were two regular convocations held in Brisbane, one on April 8, 1971, and the other on April 6, 1972.

This Grand Chapter presents fifty year jewels to the members as is the usual custom, but they also present forty year jewels.

The Report of the Board of Benevolence reports having given assistance to a family of a Companion who had lost his life in an auto accident, also assistance was given to eight widows during the year.

We read in the Proceedings about a building fund, also a Benevolent Fund, both of which show an increase over the previous year.

We find in reading the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year, a disbursement referred to as Air Fares.

RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATION

M. Ex. Comp. Lester S. Hopkins, G.H.P.

15 Chapters, 3,283 Members.

The One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was held in the Freemasons Hall in Providence, Rhode Island, on Saturday, March 25, 1972.

We quote a portion of the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee. "We note three changes in Subordinate Chapter By-laws as submitted to the By-laws Committee and meet with our approval. However, the change in By-laws by Gibbs Chapter #13, by reducing the Stated Convocations to five during each year would appear to be a step in the wrong direction."

It is of interest to note that a Grand Chapter which does not have a large membership, a total of 88 Fifty Year members were honoured this year.

Instead of having District Deputy Grand High Priests in this Grand jurisdiction the Grand line officers represent the Grand High Priest and submit their reports concerning the district which they are called upon to oversee.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Rhode Island was asked to speak and we quote a portion of his remarks. "There is much unrest around us, particularly in our youth; yet, if we could convince them we have what they are looking for — brotherly love, honesty and respect. He said we need to do something soulsearching; are we living as Master Masons? He referred to the lessons in Freemasonry. We owe it to our families and to our Lodge to display true brotherly affection, and to interest DeMolay Boys by example."

SASKATCHEWAN

M. Ex. Comp. W. Birrell Motion, G.Z.

28 Chapters, 2,835 Members.

The Forty-eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan was held in the Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina, on May 28 and 29, 1971.

In the Report of the Condition of Capitular Masonry, the Committee writes: "It appears timely to examine our relationship with the local community, the country, and our International ties.

While it is essentially basic to the Craft Lodge to maintain and develop continuing Masonic membership, we should also examine Royal Arch relationship with the well educated young executive, the independent farmer, and the young professional man, etc., who will shape the destiny of our great country and our fraternal future within this great country."

He goes on to say "our overall loss of 75 in membership during the year under review is in line with trends across Canada and North America. The larges cities show the biggest losses (many through n.p.d. and withdrawals) despite population growth and the general influx

to the cities. Smaller cities seem to have healthier chapters, with rural areas fluctuating according to local conditions.

It would appear that the only general statement appropriate is that where there is dynamic leadership, there is progress. Where leadership is mediocre, so is the result. Poor leadership, now as always before, is disastrous."

SASKATCHEWAN

M. Ex. Comp. Roger H. Strumm, G.F.P.

28 Chapters, 2,793 Members.

The Forty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan was convened in the Masonic Temple, in Moose Jaw, on Friday, May 26th, 1972.

The Grand First Principal made many visits throughout the province during his term of office, but there are two visits he made which we find interesting and also an indication of his devotion to the office.

On January 13, 1972, accompanied by another Grand Chapter officer, the Grand First Principal made a visit to Melville. It was 40° below zero on that date. Unfortunately, there were not sufficient members to hold a meeting.

On December 16, 1971, he attended Installation Ceremonies at Hudson Bay Chapter No. 30. To be present he travelled by C.N. Railliner twenty minutes behind a snow-plow all the way. The temperature was 25° below zero.

On June 26, 1971, prior to the commencement of the District Meetings, a District Superintendent's Training session was held in Regina. All District Superintendents but one was in attendance. The Grand Registrar was asked to attend in case his services might be required during the term.

One of the appointments made by the Grand First Principal during his term was to set up a committee in making arrangements for celebrating their Fiftieth Anniversary in 1973.

SOUTH CAROLINA

M. Ex. Comp. Robert F. Secrest, G.H.P.

33 Chapters, 9,037 Members.

The One Hundred and Sixty-first Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of South Carolina was held in the Deauville Room of the Town House Motor Inn, in Columbia, South Carolina, on Tuesday, March 14, 1972.

It is a pleasure to report that for the thirtieth year a substantial gain in membership has been effected due mainly to the continued efforts of each Companion and subordinate Chapter. Of the thirty-three chapters on the roll of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, three had ten percent gains and were eligible to receive certificates.

In one Resolution presented to the Annual Convocation, it states, "Your Finance Committee is facing a dilemma which grows worse each

year in trying to prepare a realistic budget on an income based on the same per capita dues which have been in effect since 1872.

THEREFORE, Be it Resolved, that the per capita dues from the constituent Chapters be increased from $1.00 to $1.50 per annum."

THE BERGEN RING

"The Bergen ring, now 101 years old, was passed on by M. Ex. Comp Secrest to Comp. Alewine, newly elected Grand High Priest, to wear during his term as Grand High Priest as is the custom."

In the report of the Jurisprudence Committee we quote "We recommend the disapproval of Recommendation No. 8 of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest. We do not feel that a special committee on education is needed at this time. We believe that the desired purpose can be obtained by proper use of the Grand Chapter Officers, espececially the District Deputy Grand High Priests."

SOUTH DAKOTA

M. Ex. Comp. George B. Smith, G.H.P.

30 Chapters, 3,424 Members.

The Eighty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of South Dakota was held in the Masonic Temple at Pierre, South Dakota, on September 28th and 29th, 1971.

A York Rite Picnic was held in Pierre on July 18, 1971. They had many Grand Officers in attendance, which was well attended, and the Pierre Companions were the hosts for the picnic.

The Grand High Priest, during his term of office, injured his right arm which resulted in major surgery. This unfortunately curtailed his activities somewhat, but the Grand King and Grand Scribe filled in for him on several occasions which the Grand High Priest thanked most sincerely in his address.

From the Grand High Priest's address regarding Religious Affirmation Day we quote "It is my firm belief that the observance of this day is becoming more and more important. Too often Masonry is accused, in one degree or another, of taking the place of the Church. We know this is untrue; but does the general public? Let our light so shine before men that they might see our good works, if I may again paraphrase.

I urgently request, that wherever possible, we should observe this day in a body clothed in our aprons. Our Grand Chaplain has been notifying all Chapters of this event well in advance and I sincerely hope that all chapters in the state will observe this important occasion."

Also we quote a portion of the conclusion of his speech. "I wish to close my report with the words of a famous man who said, "I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the whole community and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatsoever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work, the more I live. I rejoice in life for its own sake. Life is no 'brief candle' for me. It is sort of a splendid torch which I have got hold of for a moment, and I want it to burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to the future generation."

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF SCOTLAND

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, D.L., J.P., M.A.

We find it almost impossible to give a report of the proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Scotland from what literature we have received, because it is the Roll of Grand Office-Bearers, Grand Superintendents, Grand Representatives, Supreme Committee, Principals of Chapters plus a small booklet titled "Abstract of Accounts".

Unfortunately we received nothing in regards to a Proceeding with reports of the different committees in it.

TENNESSEE

M. Ex. Comp. Hulbert Gordon Higgs, G.H.P.

83 Chapters, 17,037 Members.

The One Hundred and Forty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee was held in the Grand Lodge Building, Nashville, on March 20, 1972.

An interesting portion of the proceedings was that the Grand High Priest presented to the Grand Chapter a plaque on which were mounted the pennies of the Chapters of this Grand Chapter.

The report of the Committee on Royal Arch Advancement states "We, your Committee on the Advancement of Royal Arch Masonry, submit the following report:

We are happy to report a net gain of 153 for the year, 1971, the largest since 1960. There is no question in our minds that we are headed in the right direction. I think we should all look back over last year and see where we can improve in order to enjoy a better year in 1972.

We congratulate our Grand High Priest and his corps of officers on an excellent administration. We also commend those Chapters who had a net gain and contributed so much to a successful year. We would like to urge those Chapters who had a net loss to work just a little harder.

We commend the York Rite Associations for the fine work they have accomplished at their festivals. Your Committee is heartily in favor of and strongly endorses festivals but at the same time we would be remiss if we did not speak a word of caution. We must not get to a place where all work is done at these festivals. Our Degree Teams are not performing as they should in most Chapters, and we must improve in this area.

We would like to encourage the High Priests to conduct a program in their Chapters which will encourage more members to be active and take part. Each Chapter can decide which type of program would best suit their needs.

We commend Companion John R. Stracener on the splendid schools of instruction which he has held throughout the state, and our Chapters should take full advantage of these schools and carry the program further in each individual Chapter. An informed Mason is an interested

Mason, and it is the duty of each chapter to dispense light and knowledge to the less informed companions."

We would like to quote one paragraph from the address of the Grand High Priest. "January 21st and 22nd of this year I attended the Southeastern Region York Rite Conference at Birmingham, Alabama. Companion Obrecht, our Grand Scribe and Companion Douglas and myself attended the Grand Chapter work sessions, where we learned the Southeastern Region, composed of the Statees of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee, is one of the most active sections of the Fraternity and the only one showing net gains year after year."

It is felt that the continued growth in membership is due in no small measure to the York Rite Festivals and it is noted with pleasure that 138 new Companions were exalted at the 1971 Festivals; and that the Grand High Priest recommends the continuation and enlarging of the Festivals.

TEXAS

M. Ex. Comp. N. B. Gafford, G.H.P.

215 Chapters, 40,435 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas was held in the ground floor Auditorium of the Masonic Grand Lodge Memorial Temple in the City of Waco, Monday and Tuesday, November 29th and 30th, 1971.

The Grand Chapter of Texas during the past year had numerous Companions who have spent fifty years in the quarries of Capitular Masonry and as such were presented with a gold lapel pin and a wallet size card to set them apart and have been granted freedom from assessment of dues.

Financial as well as other assistance was given by the Grand Chapter to the 11,000 De Molay boys of Texas.

It is the hope of this Grand Chapter that with the development of a speakers bureau that they will be able to supply qualified speakers to assist in any part of the State.

It is our pleasure to report in regards to the Home for Aged Masons which was erected, endowed and maintained by the Royal Arch Masons of Texas, that the property is valued at over five and a half million dollars. They have a three million dollar endowment. They have just recently completed over a half million dollars worth of improvements and there are 114 residents enjoying the beauties of Freemasonry.

In conclusion, we would like to quote a portion of the Grand Orator's Address: "My friends, there comes a time in the life of all of us when it seems that no one can be depended upon and we are left entirely to our own resources. The lessons of life fitly illustrated such a condition.

Upon reflection you will doubtless remember that among the first things brought to your attention in your life was this old Book, and you were told that it alone was to be the rule and guide to your faith and practice. At each succeeding step in your advancement in life you have been reminded that it would guide you to all truth, direct your path

to the Temple of Happiness and point out to you the whole duty of man.

And now at this most auspicious hour, while surrounded by those who take you by the hand as a Brother, and in whose every heart you can have no doubt of a sincere wish for your future happiness, let me impress upon your mind in the most lasting and substantial manner possible, that this Book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable.

Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It will furnish light to guide you, strength to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the Mason's light and the Christian charter. Through it Heaven is opened, paradise restored, and the gates of hell disclosed. The Messiah is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end.

Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. If you will obey its precepts it will be to you a river of pleasure, a mine of wealth and a paradise of glory.

It is furnished you in life to prepare you for the judgment, and as you choose, so shall your destiny be. In prosperity or adversity, may you never forget it; then, when Death's cold winds shall blow around you, and its icy dew shall gather on your forehead you can drop to sleep with the sweet assurance that when the awakening comes, you will be pronounced a just and upright Christian by the Supreme Grand Master above, who has furnished you this means of salvation and has written your destiny between its lines."

UTAH

M. Ex. Comp. Ernest A. Lyon, G.H.P.

7 Chapters, 1,146 Members.

The Sixty-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah was held at Price, Utah, on Monday, May 8th, 1972.

On October 2, 1971, the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah met in Page, Arizona, for the purpose of conferring the Capitular Degrees upon candidates from the four Grand jurisdictions. This is referred to as Four Corners Royal Arch Festival.

The Grand Chapter of Utah prefers that each chapter in the jurisdiction hold a Royal Arch Day in a church in their area at which the members and their families may attend.

M. Ex. Companion Frederich W. Jones representing the Grand High Priest of California was asked to say a few words and we quote "He said that he didn't have much in comments, but last Sunday he attended a church meeting and the minister was a bit facetious and he quoted a lot of things that I am not going to repeat. The thought that came to my mind was that you and I have a faith. We have something to cling to, to talk about, and to demonstrate, but the young people are pretty darned tired of having somebody give them what the speaker thinks they want to hear. It is my opinion that they want something to cling

to, something to follow. They want mental and spiritual leadership. That is our job, no matter how old we are or how young we are. As Masons we should be dedicated. We should talk hope and faith and demonstrate our own hope and faith."

VERMONT

Most Ex. Comp. Harold W. Davis, G.H.P.

26 Chapters, 3,218 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont was held in the Ramada Inn in the City of Burlington on Tuesday, the 8th of June, 1971.

In the portion of the Grand High Priest's address entitled State of the Rite we report "I wish I could report to you that the Rite is in fine shape but that would be far from the truth.

The Grand Secretary's report shows a net loss in membership of 112. The situation appears to become more serious each year. To date we have not been able to get enough candidates to offset our losses. Many ideas have been tried and much hard work expended with little change in net results.

I think one clue to the situation is some sort of training for those people soliciting candidates so they may present a better image of what we have to offer."

We also noticed that in this Grand Chapter, they have listed Chapters by Districts and also a Roster of Subordinate Chapters which include the officers as well as all the members. This is sometimes done in Grand jurisdictions that do not have large membership.

VERMONT

M. Ex. Comp. Waldron C. Biggs, G.H.P.

26 Chapters, 3,146 Members.

The One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont was held in the Ramada Inn in the City of Burlington, on Tuesday, June 13th, 1972.

Of the 26 Chapters, eight show no work at all as compared with seven last year. The majority of the remaining eighteen chapters had considerable activity. One chapter shows the longest net membership gain with a figure of eleven.

The Grand Chapter Plaque for the ensuing year goes to the Chapter which shows the highest net membership gain in its annual report.

The Report of the Committee on Necrology ends with an interesting short poem and we reprint it here for your reading.

"Tis the human touch in this world that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which means far more to the fainting heart
Than shelter and bread and wine:
For shelter is gone when the night is o'er,
And bread lasts only a day,
But the touch of the hand and the sound of the voice
Shine on in the soul always."

VICTORIA (AUSTRALIA)

M.E.M. Comp. C. R. Nichols, C.M.G., O.B.E., F.G.P.

114 Chapters, 9,280 Members.

The 313, 314, 315, and 316 Quarterly Convocations of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria was held at the Masonic Centre, Melbourne, on Wednesday, April 15, 1970; Wednesday, July 15, 1970; Wednesday, October 21, 1970, and Wednesday, January 20, 1971.

At each of the quarterly Convocations, a Communication or address from the M. Em. First Grand Principal was presented and in the 313 quarterly Convocation, the First Grand Principal, in his communication, remarks: "On February 21st, for the first time in the history of the Grand Chapter of Victoria, a conference of Scribes was held. It was very heartening to have the attendance of so many Scribes, especially from the Chapters outside the Metropolitan area. Many and varied subjects dealing with the administration of chapters were dealt with. A transcript of proceedings is in the course of preparation and will be forwarded to chapters in due course". And in the Quarterly Convocation of Wednesday, July 15, in his communication, he states in part: "Masonic education may be divided into three phases: ritualistic, philosophical and historical. The Companion who knows Masonic Ritual has learned much of Masonry, but unless he has studied its philosophy and becomes familiar with its history, he has missed much of its significance not to speak of its beauty and intriguing interest."

"The more we can learn about the art, the better we shall be enabled to apply it to our daily living, and progress towards the acquisition of Wisdom. Learning is not knowledge, and knowledge is not necessarily Wisdom. Wisdom is the true application of knowledge. I quote from the writings of a learned Freemason. 'Only a very limited portion of wisdom is obtainable by man. If we could approach somewhere near a full measure of wisdom we should not be so concerned about elusive earthly benefits. Every individual Mason must be conscious, if he only stops to think, that this life is but a transitory stage after all, and yet, such is human frailty, we are far more concerned with the illusions of the transitory stage than with the great realities which live beyond. We are all in need of Wisdom."

VICTORIA

M. Ex. Comp. Roy Nichols, G.Z.

114 Chapters, 8,964 Members.

Once again we report that the Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria meets in Quarterly Convocations in the Masonic Centre in Melbourne on April 21, July 21, October 20 and January 19, 1972.

At the quarterly convocation on April 21st, from the Communication from the First Grand Principal to the companions, he writes "I would also draw attention to the valued contributions of those Companions who serve on the Committee of General Purposes, and other Committees. In addition to financial and normal administration items, other matters that come to mind as having been dealt with over the past two years are: the re-definition of metropolitan boundaries, amendments to dress, conference of Scribes with the consequent circulation of the report thereon, preparation of lectures, organising lecturers, and a circular with suggestions for the consideration of First Principals of private Chapters.

All the matters dealt with by the members of the various committees are of great value in the structure of Royal Arch Freemasonry in Victoria."

Towards the conclusion of the first quarterly Convocation the installation ceremony conducted with R. Em. Comp. Robert Money, P.G.H., being installed into the high office of First Grand Principal of the Grand Chapter of Victoria.

At one of the many Chapter installations which the Grand Chapter officers assist in, The Grand First Principal is usually asked to speak, if present, so naturally at the Preston Chapter Installation on November 23rd, he was asked to speak and here we quote part of this address to the Companions.

"Throughout our Masonic Ceremonies we are constantly enjoined to do good to each other of course but also to extend our thoughts and actions to ALL. This is indicative of an "extended" Brotherhood of MAN rather than the restricted interpretation of the Brotherhood of Masons.

It is a refreshing thing to find that wherever I go in Masonry, be it in the City or County, be it among Brethren, Worshipful Brethren, Companions or Grand Officers, there are men and Masons extending comfort, support and service in Community, Church or Charitable projects beyond the bounds of identified Freemasonry. These Brethren are practising as well as professing our principles and tenets. They prove that, for them, Masonry has no bounds.

We must never forget that only amongst ourselves do we stand as Freemasons. In the world at large we stand as Men generally known to be Freemasons. Masonry therefore is not judged by Masons but by Men. Masonry is proclaimed good or bad by what we DO rather than by what we learn. We are warned not to bring Religion and Politics into Freemasonry. We are however not expected to be irreligious or non-political. On the contrary we express belief in GOD and are enjoined to do our public duty.

Therefore although we may not bring Religion and Politics into Freemasonry there is nothing to prevent us bringing our high Masonic principles into Religion and Politics. If we do so it will lend Religion a broader rather than a restrictive denominational signifcance and give to Politics some of the sweet reason and faith of Freemasonry."

VIRGINIA

M. Ex. Comp. Archie E. Wilkinson Jr., G.H.P.

80 Chapters, 16,407 Members.

The One Hundred and Sixty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the Commonwealth of Virginia was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, on October 26 and 27, 1971.

Since October 28, 1964, this Grand Chapter has been working on a per capita tax fixed at $1.25 per member, but a resolution was put forward that the per capita tax be increased to $2.00 per member and that a sum equal to twenty-five cents per member based on membership statistics be donated on an annual basis for benevolent or philanthropic purposes.

In the Report of the Grand High Priest we quote from a portion under the heading of State of the Craft.

"I find the state of the craft in the state is not, on the whole, what

it should be. In some parts of the state it is flourishing because the interest and enthusiasm is high. Due to a lack of interest in other areas, the Chapters are dragging along with the same officers that they have had for years and the Chapters are on the decline. In areas where there is enthusiasm and a lot of action going on, the Chapters are picking up all the time. There is a need for interest and enthusiasm on the part of the old members in order to attract new members and some young men to carry on as age takes its toll within our ranks.

It would behoove the Chapters that are dragging along to look into the activities of those Chapters which are flourishing and perhaps they could pick up a few pointers on the kind of activities which draw the members together and help them add to their membership. In this day and time we must fight apathy. As I said in my remarks when I was elected, you never hear anyone say,"Let's go where the apathy is." Apathy is contagious, but on the other hand, so is enthusiasm. No one can create this enthusiasm but the old members.

We will show a net loss for this year. This shows that in many parts of the Commonwealth we lack enthusiasm. If this one ingredient can be injected, we will find a great improvement in our membership."

WASHINGTON

Most Ex. Comp. William E. Scheele, G.H.P.

54 Chapters, 6,497 Members.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington was held at Seattle, on Thursday and Friday, May 20-21, 1971.

It is a pleasure to report that the International Night, an annual get-together of companions and ladies from both sides of our International Border to promote fraternal relationships between these two Grand Bodies under the auspices of the Grand Chapters of Washington and British Columbia has been observed since 1958 and is becoming increasingly popular.

Not all the Grand Chapters of which we exchange correspondence and proceedings with have what is referred to as Grand Orator, but the ones that have most often in their address to the Grand Chapter have a wealth of information and much food for thought in their talk, and it is from this address that I would like to make a few quotes:

"Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions, as I contemplated the content and title of the Grand Orator's address that I would be giving today, I though of my part in Freemasonry thus far in my life. I though of those great and famous men of centuries ago, who, with their inexhaustible Wisdom and Strength, have passed the Beauty, the great ideals, principles and teachings of our beloved Masonic Fraternity, the Legacy to mankind and Masons, down through the ages and now unto us. Thus, my Companions, may my remarks today also inspire each of you to often think of "Our Masonic Heritage" and to be ever grateful to our ancestors, our forefathers and our fathers for this wonderful and magnificent gift."

Our Masonic Heritage is also well expressed in this little poem by an unknown Mason.

LAST NIGHT I DWELT WHERE HIRAM KNELT

Last night I knelt where Hiram knelt
And took an obligation,
Today I'm closer to my God,
And I'm a Master Mason.

Tho' heretofore my fellow men
Seemed each one like the other,
Today I search each one apart,
I'm looking for "my Brother".

My words are safe within his breast
As though within my own;
His hand forever at my back

To help me safely Home.
Good counsel whispers in my ear
And warns of any danger
By square and compass,
Brother now!
Who once would call me stranger.

And, as I feel his friendly grip
It fills my heart with pride,
I know that while I'm on the square
That he is on my side.

His footsteps on my errand go
If I should such require,
His prayers will plead in my behalf
If I should so desire.

I might have lived a moral life
And risen to distinctions,
Without my Brother's helping hand
And fellowship of Masons.

But God, who knows how hard it is
To resist life's temptations,
Knows why I knelt where Hiram knelt
And took that obligation.

WASHINGTON

M. Ex. Comp. Richard D. Hein, G.H. P.

54 Chapters, 6.239 Members.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington was held in the Red Lion Motor Inn, in Pasco, Washington, on Thursday, May 18th, 1972.

In reading through this Grand Chapter Proceedings we came upon two interesting reports, the first being a Report of the Grand Historian and then an Address by the Grand Orator. The title of the Grand Orator's address was Masonic Symbolism which was very interesting and informative.

This Grand Chapter has a wonderful benevolent program called the Royal Arch Masons Childrens Heart Foundation. To this date, they have assisted 35 families financially. The actual cost of the operations was $110,537.00, of which the Heart Foundation paid $60,651.05.

At the conclusion of the report of the Committee on Obituaries and Memorials is this poem and we would like to reprint it for your reading.

"A Mason's hand is a hand that helps,
That lifts the fallen one,
That comes, in need, with a kindly deed
To him whose strength is gone.
A Mason's heart is a heart that loves,
The best that is good and true,
He stands the friend, his best to lend,
Under his banner blue.
A Mason's eye is an eye that smiles,
And his a cheering voice;
He spreads the light, dispels the night,
And makes the world rejoice.
Over the earth in stranger lands,
Where distant peoples dwell,
The eye, the grip, the life, the lip,
Of love unchanging tell." —By Carl W. Mason.

WEST VIRGINIA

M. Ex. Comp. Carl H. Mann, G.H.P.

47 Chapters, 9,820 Members.

The One Hundred and First Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia was held in the Masonic Temple, Charleston, October 8th and 9th, 1971.

In the Acceptance speech of the Incoming Grand High Priest, he makes mention of many thoughts and ideas which are exceptionally accurate and true today in practically all Grand jurisdictions and we feel like sharing his words of wisdom with our Companions and we quote: "In the masonic fraternity, we are taught continuously that we must earn the right to serve. This should be our most ardent desire now, especially now, to serve with our time, talent and energy.

I can see the spires of some of our dominions that once glittered, slowly, but surely, fading away. No temple, no society, no spiritual building will stand without perpetual repair.

We might observe that because of basic principles that are eternal, our lineage has survived and there is no cause for concern. But when our numbers are decreasing and the population of the world is increasing, we cannot assume self satisfaction with the status quo. Why can't we have 10,000 Royal Arch Masons in West Virginia? Does the young Master Mason know about Royal Arch? Why is it so difficult to obtain officers and to conduct our work with proficiency? Does the Royal Arch Chapter rate only as a stepping stone? It cannot be that we are so destitute.

Do our rites and ceremonies need adjustment? If they do, we had better get at it. Do our attitudes, approaches, intentions, goals and achievements need to be reviewed? If they do, let's do it. I can do little by myself, but we can take a giant step together. I intend to lose my life into the cause of Royal Arch Masonry by giving my time and energy constantly. I, therefore, am asking every Royal Arch Mason to be concerned, to be attentive to his Chapter, to be zealous to learn the ritual, and to promote Royal Arch Masonry in every way.

Our goal is 10,000 Royal Arch Masons once again. To obtain this, many exaltations are necessary and a keen interest of the present membership will need to prevail. It is the privilege and responsibility of the High Priest of each Chapter to perpetuate our craft. It is his duty to open and close his Chapter and to give instruction. I urge each High Priest to see that his officers are proficient. This is where we begin. The presiding officer must be dynamic — be a leader. Establish a goal and a plan — very little can be accomplished without this basis.

REMEMBER, you can solicit candidates openly. Determine a number of petitions to be obtained and work toward it. Every Master Mason is a potential candidate. Each of us should assume the responsibility of telling Master Masons that the Royal Arch Degree reveals greater light and that ancient craft masonry is not complete without it.

If a particular Chapter is reluctant to obtain petitions because they cannot present the ritual adequately, then I recommend the idea of the festival. This would amount to two or more Chapters working together on their combined candidates.

I strongly urge visitations between Chapters.

Communication is our weakness. We should be more concerned

about transmitting accurately, consistently, and even persuasively. In view of this, I am attempting to develop a periodical that will inform each Chapter and each Grand Officer of the happenings in our state. This will take cooperation. I invite each Companion to contribute articles, announcements, and items of interest. You will hear more about this later.

As we are necessarily sustained by the blue lodges we should support our lodge with fervency and zeal. We should honor our Grand Master on every occasion by exemplary conduct and be mindful of the dignity of his office. In his honor, subject to his approval, I would like to designate the week beginning February 20, 1972 as Grand Master week in the Chapters — it would be very nice if all Chapters could have work during that week.

As Mark Masters we are taught the advantages of discipline and education. I am hopeful we will pursue these advantages. We need to know more about ourselves, our brethren, and our craft."

WISCONSIN

M. Ex. Comp. Donald L. Gilbertson, G.H.P.

88 Chapters, 12,484 Members.

The One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wisconsin was held in the Temple of Freemasonry in Eau Claire, on May 1st, 1972.

We read with interest where the Grand High Priest appointed a special committee to conduct a research of the District Deputy Grand High Priest system. At the conclusion of the report the committee recommended that the District Deputy Grand High Priest system be established in Wisconsin and further that a committee be appointed to develop the duties, responsibilities and guidelines under which the District Deputy Grand High Priest system would function.

The Grand High Priest in his address put forth a resolution, "Royal Arch Masonry in Wisconsin is most fortunate to have as its Grand Secretary a man who has brought great depth and understanding to his office. He has given unselfishly of himself for the benefit of the Craft. Earl B. Bauer has devoted hours far beyond the call of duty, and has made himself and his staff available to all who sought advice or help. He hs conducted the affairs of Royal Arch Masonry with economy, integrity and great ability.

In recognition of his outstanding service over many years, be it resolved that the Companions here assembled, designate Right Excellent Companion Earl Becker Bauer, an Honorary Past Grand Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Wisconsin, with the title of Most Excellent.

(This resolution was signed by all of the Grand Officers and Past Grand High Priests who were present.)

Our Grand High Priest moved that this Resolution be adopted. Our Grand King put the motion, and it was unanimously adopted. Our new Honorary Past Grand High Priest was accorded the Grand Honors at this time."

Under the title of "The Word" — "The word is a presentation of York Rite Masonry. The Degrees and Orders are arranged chronologi-

cally. Our thanks to Companion Rex Bross, Secretary for "The Word" and also Secretary of the Scottish Rite Valley of Madison, and to the 'Workers' from the Madison area. Ill. Floyd McBurney 33° Deputy of Wisconsin of the Scottish Rite, has shown through his work and support that he is a true Mason who practices what he preaches — namely Masonic Unity. Our appreciation is also extended to the Scottish Rite Valley of Madison for their co-operation and the use of their facilities.

The results of this State-wide conferral showed the greatest number of Masons ever to take the York Rite in one day. 522 Masons received further light in the York Rite. Chapter 388, Council 478, Commandery 466.

The excellent presentation of the work will inspire all Chapters and their Officers to bring the local ritual work and equipment up to date, as the Candidates will visit their own Chapters and expect to see the same proficiency.

Each Chapter is requested to invite the new members to attend and participate in the degree work. This will not only expose the candidate to our complete four degrees, but will permit the Chapters to do the work."

In the address of the new Grand High Priest we reprint for your interest a portion — "The High Priest learned that in trying to define one problem — lack of attendance — he had found several items that needed improving, namely:

1. A lack of programs at the stated meetings.
2. Poor degree work.
3. No Chapter library.
4. A lack of communication with the members.
5. No Capitular Masonic education program.
6. The Chapter is not a vital part of the community and is merely a rent paying organization in the Temple.

There was no question about it. If the Companions were to receive more light, there was a lot of hard work ahead.

MORE LIGHT? WHO NEEDS IT?

Those of us who aren't proud to be called a Royal Arch Mason.

Those of us who don't feel that "we" can identify with Capitular Masonry.

Those of us who can't talk about the Order, not even to our families, because we don't know what to say.

Those of us who have asked questions about the Fraternity but never received meaningful answers.

If the goal of making every member a Royal Arch Mason hasn't been set and reached, there is a need to seek and spread more light. If the members and officers aren't enthused about being Royal Arch Masons, knowledge about the Craft is lacking. If every Royal Arch Mason isn't a worker in the quarries, there is a need for more and more light.

MORE LIGHT: WHO NEEDS IT? — ALL OF US.

A horse can't pull while kicking.
This fact I merely mention.
And he can't kick while pulling,
Which is my chief contention.
Let's imitate the good old horse.
And lead a life that's fitting.
Just pull an honest load, and then
There'll be no time for kicking."

WYOMING

M. Ex. Comp. Alvah L. Good, G.H.P.

20 Chapters, 2,813 Members.

The Sixty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming was held in the Masonic Temple in Rawlins, Wyoming, on September 10th, 1971.

The Grand High Priest in his recommendations one of which was that the Grand Chapter purchase the subscription to the Royal Arch Magazine for each member of the jurisdiction for another year.

The Grand High Priest, M. Ex. Comp. Good reports that he had the privilege of visiting each of the 20 chapters in the Grand jurisdiction on their stated convocation.

One portion of the Grand High Priest's report has the title of "THE WORD

This ritual is a presentation based upon degrees in the Lodge, the Chapter and the Council in chronological order. It traces the Masters word from its Deposit, its Loss, to its Rediscovery."

WYOMING

M. Ex. Comp. Lawrence E. Armstrong, G.H.P.

20 Chapters, 2,809 Members.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming was held in the Masonic Temple, Cheyenne, on Friday, September 8, 1972.

It has been recommended by the Grand High Priest and approved by the Committee on Finance that the Grand Chapter purchase a subscription to the Royal Arch Magazine for each member of the jurisdiction for another year.

The Finance Committee also recommended that until such detailed information is forthcoming and a formal decision by the Grand Chapter on this subject is reached, that they contribute to the Gottsche Foundation the sum of $120.00, which is the approximate interest $2,000.00 would yield but, at the same time, would permit them to retain the principal in control of Grand Chapter.

The Grand Master of Masons in Wyoming was present and was called on for a few remarks.

This is one of the several proceedings which has the Chapters listed chronologically in the back of the book, and we find it interesting to read this because of the information which it contains regarding each chapter, such as date chartered plus list of Past High Priests, Exaltations, etc.

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